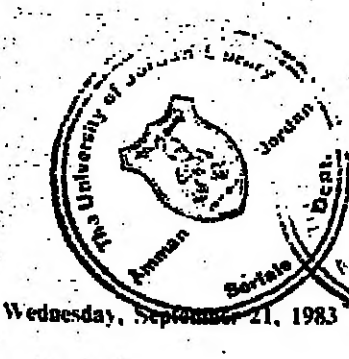


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Shamir awaiting call from Herzog

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

President Chaim Herzog will almost certainly ask Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir today or Friday to try to form a coalition within 21 days.

Herzog ended his consultations with all factions in the Knesset last night, and could have called Shamir immediately, but he decided to postpone his announcement so that he could re-read the record of all the discussions.

Although it seems clear that the Likud is holding on to the 64 MKs who signed a coalition agreement last week, the President wants to examine all the protocols to understand both the spirit and the letter of the statements.

Herzog does not intend to accede to the request by Tami leaders that he invite both Shamir and Peres to Beit Hanassi before announcing his choice, and ask them to iron out agreement on a Likud-Labour coalition.

The president has found the consultations, which took over 10 hours, "firing but interesting."

The four Agudat Yisrael MKs — Shlomo Lorincz, Avraham Shapira, Menahem Porush and Shmuel Halpern — arrived at Beit Hanassi at 11 a.m., accompanied by Rabbi Pinchas Mordechai Alter, the secretary of Agudat Yisrael and brother of the Gerer rebbe. They met with Herzog for nearly 90 minutes.

Emerging from the meeting, Lorincz told reporters that they will abide by the agreement and recommend that the president ask Shamir to form a government. The party, he added, is in favour of a national unity government, but only on condition that it is subject to the same principles and agreements that guide the current government.

Both Lorincz and Shapira rejected reports that Agudat Yisrael was divided in its views on the next government. "We agree as one man," said Shapira. Asked why the consultations took so long, if all were unanimous, Shapira explained: "We told the president that he should have uppermost in his mind that the man who forms a government is close to Jewish tradition."

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A beaming Deputy Prime Minister David Levy and his wife Rachel congratulate their fourth son, Uri, last night at the paratroopers' oath-taking ceremony at the Western Wall. (Rahamim Israeli)

U.S. military team shelled after entering Suk al-Gharb

SUK AL-GHARB. — A team of U.S. Marine and U.S. Army forward observers came under shelling in this strategic mountain town yesterday as the Lebanese Army fought off another attack by Druse militiamen and their Palestinian allies.

The team of six or seven Americans, led by an army colonel whose name was identified as "Gatanas," was seen by western reporters, getting out of a Lebanese Army armoured personnel carrier in the centre of Suk al-Gharb just an hour before the attack began.

The Americans refused to speak to reporters, and Lebanese Army intelligence officers ordered all the reporters into an armoured personnel carrier and closed the door.

An hour later, an unknown number of insurgents tried to infiltrate army lines about two kilometres from Hotel Hajjar, the local army headquarters, where the Americans apparently were staying. The attempt touched off an hour-long battle in which hundreds of shells and rockets were fired around the town.

Meanwhile, five French Super Etendard strike planes raced over Beirut.

The French jets, flying from the aircraft carrier Foch lying offshore in support of French troops in the four-nation peace-keeping force, made several reconnaissance swoops over battle zones around the city, western military officials said.

French, American and British warplanes have all made a number of similar sorties during the fierce fighting of recent weeks.

The flights came as renewed artillery exchanges were reported between Syrian-backed anti-government forces and Lebanese Army units in Byblos, north of Beirut, where the Lebanese Air Force has built a makeshift airport on a stretch of highway.

The Christian Phalange radio and the leftist Murabkun radio, who often contradict each other, both reported the shelling, which followed similar exchanges in the area on Monday.

In Washington, a U.S. Defence Department spokesman said the department is trying to confirm reports that Syrian troops may have fired an SA-7 ground-to-air missile against a U.S. Navy F-14 fighter yesterday.

Earlier, a department source said "as far as we can tell, the missile didn't lock on to the plane's tail and it got away." The missile is a heat-seeking weapon that aims for the plane's exhaust.

In Rome, Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti said that his country is considering providing its troops in Beirut with air cover because of the increased fighting there.

In London, opposition Labourite legislator Tam Dalyell demanded the recall of Parliament to discuss Britain's role in Lebanon.

"Parliament should be consulted before we climb on to the tiger's back in the Middle East," Dalyell was quoted as saying by Press Association. Parliament is in summer recess. (AP, Reuters)

'Threat to Israel' if town falls

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Defence Correspondent

Senior Israeli officials are extremely perturbed at the possibility that the Christian strongholds of Deir al-Kamar and Suk al-Gharb might fall into hostile hands.

According to well-placed sources, the fall of either of these two towns would constitute a direct threat to Israeli forces stationed south of the Awali River.

Pressure is building up to come out in support of Israel's traditional allies in Lebanon. Israel's basic position is that there will be no Israeli military involvement in Lebanon unless Israel's direct security interests

are threatened. According to sources, however, though both Deir al-Kamar and Suk al-Gharb are north of the Awali, the fall of either town would constitute such a threat.

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Cease-fire hopes fade after optimism

By DAVID BERNSTEIN
Post Middle East Affairs Reporter and agencies

Hopes of arranging a cease-fire in Lebanon rose yesterday, but by last night they appeared to be fading.

Officials in Beirut were first quoted as saying that Syria had softened its conditions for a truce. There was no confirmation of the report from Damascus, nor of concessions said to have been made by Syria on the continued presence of the Lebanese Army in the Shouf mountains.

U.S. and Saudi mediators had been working all day to arrange a cease-fire between the two sides, but sources close to the negotiations were pessimistic last night.

Saudi envoy Prince Bandar Bin Sultan left Damascus for home unexpectedly, another sign that the talks had hit a snag.

Lebanese political sources said the Syrians, who earlier conceded that army withdrawal from the mountains was not a prerequisite for a cease-fire, were still insisting on their own list of participants in eventual power-sharing talks.

Syria, as the main source of political and military support for the anti-government forces, is playing an important role in the cease-fire negotiations, often speaking on behalf of its allies.

The sources said the Syrians were against either Lebanese Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan or parliamentary Speaker Kamal Assad taking part in a Lebanese "national dialogue."

But the Beirut government saw Syria's attitude as inconsistent with respect for Lebanese legitimacy.

The officials also said that U.S. special envoys Robert McFarlane and Richard Fairbanks, along with Lebanese President Amin Gemayel's

national security adviser Wahid Haddad, had a meeting with Saudi mediators in Beirut yesterday to discuss the latest Syrian position.

Syria has to date sent its full support to the two-week-old Druse offensive which followed Israel's pull-back from the Shouf Mountains earlier this month.

But with the increasing prospects of a major confrontation with the U.S. as the Druse militiamen and their Palestinian allies threaten Beirut's southeastern approaches at Suk al-Gharb, there were indications that Syria may be prepared to rein in its proteges and support a cease-fire.

Syria has, in fact, never been eager to see any one side totally dominant in Lebanon, and it is unlikely to welcome a massive Druse victory at Suk al-Gharb that would seriously threaten Gemayel and his regime in Beirut.

Syria entered the Lebanese civil war on the side of the Christians in 1976, when the PLO and its leftist Lebanese allies appeared on the verge of victory, only to switch sides later when the balance of power appeared to be swinging too far in

favour of the Christians.)

The optimum position, from Syria's point of view, would appear to be a negotiated cease-fire that would freeze the present situation, leaving the embattled Gemayel regime intact but indebted to Damascus, and in consequence, more amenable to its conditions for the future political shape of Lebanon.

Meanwhile Druse leader Walid Jumblatt was reported to be consulting with his two allies in the pro-Syrian Lebanese National Salvation Front, Christian former president Suleiman Franjich and Moslem former prime minister Rashid Karamah, before responding to the cease-fire proposals being put forward by the Saudi mediators.

In Rome, Italian Defence Minister Giovanni Spadolini said a cease-fire could be imminent.

Spadolini interrupted a debate by the Italian Senate Defence and Foreign Affairs Commissions to say that General Franco Angioni, commander of Italy's peacekeeping unit in Lebanon, had just told him by radio there was a possibility of a cease-fire accord.

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Raps Arens in 'Jerusalem Post' interview Sharon urges marines to bolster line in Lebanon

By DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The U.S. must urgently stabilize the battle lines near Beirut by deploying its marines forward to Suk al-Gharb and by deploying the 2,000 marine reinforcements from its Sixth Fleet warships offshore. Otherwise the Syrians and the PLO will get back into West Beirut — and that will be the end of the Gemayel government and Lebanese independence.

This advice was offered to Washington by Minister without Portfolio Ariel Sharon in an interview with The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

Sharon said he is confident that if

the Americans act forcefully, the Syrians will back off, and call off their PLO and Druse surrogates. "The Syrians don't want a confrontation with the U.S.," Sharon said. "And the Soviets certainly don't want it."

Sharon also charged that the cabinet was told nothing of the "total change of orientation" — from the Christians to the Druse — that took place in Israeli policy over recent months. Ministers now feel, he said, "that they are kept in the dark about moves of major political, military and moral significance."

Israel should sternly warn the Druse to cease their advance, and to cease cooperating with the PLO, Sharon said. "That warning should

be accompanied by specific action to demonstrate that our intentions are serious," he said. He said he made a proposal to this effect in a top policy-making forum — but refused to elaborate on it in public.

Israel should also "vigorously" pursue its campaign against the PLO in Lebanon, especially in view of the fighting in the Shouf and around Beirut. He does not propose that Druse or Syrian targets should be hit, he said. But Israeli strikes against PLO objectives would certainly help the Lebanese Army in its struggle, Sharon observed.

Regarding the IDF's redeployment from the Shouf mountains, Sharon said he warned the cabinet that the Druse in the Shouf would

oppose the Lebanese Army's entry into the area — "but I was fobbed off contemptuously."

On Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Moshe Levy's assertion earlier this week that the IDF foresaw the course of events following the redeployment, Sharon said "no scenario like this was depicted to the cabinet."

The former defence minister said he was not among those ministers who rejoiced in the U.S. military involvement in Lebanon. This involvement could quickly become unpopular at home and lead to a total withdrawal, he said, with the concomitant blow to American and western interests in this part of the

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Jerusalem journalists resolve to boycott Ariel Sharon

By AARON SITTNER
and JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporters

Jerusalem-based Israeli journalists were urged by their professional organization yesterday to boycott all public appearances of Minister Without Portfolio Ariel Sharon.

In Tel Aviv, the spokesman for the National Union of Journalists said the organization was not consulted before the Jerusalem associa-

tion declared its ban, and therefore would not go along with it.

Sharon, who resigned as defence minister after the Kahan report on the Sabra and Shatila massacres, told a crowd in Jerusalem's pedestrian mall Monday night that Israeli newsmen are "hypocrites, masters of self-destruction who have eroded the spirit of Israelis and fuelled anti-Israeli and anti-Jewish sentiment from Damascus to Moscow."

When Sharon asked his enthusiastic audience — members of the Youth for Israel movement — "Who are the news media?" the crowd roared back: "PLO! PLO!"

Gabi Bron, chairman of the (Continued on Page 4)

Police stung after judge acquits 'Temple Mount 29'

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The police last night were taking a philosophical approach to Jerusalem District Court Judge Ya'acov Bazak's acquittal of 29 men arrested last March on charges of attempting to break into the Temple Mount. The judge also reprimanded the police for their handling of the case.

Rabbi Yisrael Ariel — the former Yamit rabbi and number two on Meir Kahane's 1981 Kach list for the Knesset — and 28 followers from Kiryat Arba were acquitted of all charges, which Bazak described as "grossly exaggerated."

The judge said the men were planning a Temple Mount takeover,

but described them as "amateurish" and "certainly not an underground."

After the 30-page verdict was handed down, Ariel immediately declared that the trial had "besmirched the entire knitted-kippa community" and called for free access by Jews to the Temple Mount. MK Gula Cohen, hearing of the acquittal, seconded Ariel's demand.

The police legal source explained that following the Bazak opinion, "if a group organizes tomorrow to take over the Temple Mount — something we want to prevent because of the events that would follow such an act — we would not be able to stop them the way we did in this case."

"The judge, after all, said they were not doing anything illegal, when we arrested them. We'd have to wait until later in their plan. Does it mean, for example, that we have to wait until they are on their way? On the site? On the Mount?"

Conceding that Bazak may have been right in acquitting the 29 on the grounds that the charges — ranging from "incitement to bloodshed" to "conquering" the mount — were exaggerated, police nevertheless were pleased that they had managed to prevent the group

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Nazareth	12	18-30	31
Afula	18	19-33	34
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Beer-Sheva	16	12-31	32
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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Austrian Ambassador Otto Pleinert yesterday presented Yehudit Huebner, deputy director-general of the Interior Ministry and ambassador-designate to Norway, with the Great Golden Order of Distinction, awarded by Austrian President Rudolf Kirchschlaeger.

The honorary consul-general of Norway, Elihu Izakson, and Mrs. Izakson held a reception at their home in Herzliya on Wednesday evening for members of the Norwegian parliamentary delegation. The delegation comprised Odd Nordli (Labour Party) and leader of the group; Haakon Randal (Conservative party); Tore Austad (Conservative); Sverre Helland (Centre Party); Liv Aasen (Labour); Jens Flaas (Christian Democratic Party); Sven Destraatow, delegation Secretary; and Hans Bratstada, counsellor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Israeli guests included Knesset Speaker Menachem Begin and former prime minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Leonora Lev of Maariv and Noah Kliger of Yediot Aharanot, yesterday were awarded the Yitzhak Nim-covich Prize for their writing on the Holocaust. The ceremony, at Beit Sokolow in Tel Aviv, was addressed by Moshe Kol, the Independent Liberal Party veteran and former head of Youth Aliya, where Nim-covich used to work.

Danish Minister of Culture Mimi Stilling Jakobsen and her husband, accompanied by Danish Ambassador to Israel Sven Nielsen and Mrs. Nielsen, were hosted at a dinner this week by Hebrew University president Don Patinkin and Mrs. Patinkin. Also present were university chancellor Avraham Harman and university and Foreign Ministry officials.

The Helen and Paul Zuckerman Hall in Business Administration on the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus was dedicated yesterday in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zuckerman of Detroit. Among the guests were MK and Mrs. Yitzhak Rabin, Rachel Dayan, and leaders of the Jewish Agency and the UJA. University chancellor Avraham Harman chaired the ceremony.

MK Shulamit Aloni addressed the Israeli Women's (Ida Nudel) committee yesterday about her recent trip to Russia at the WIZO house, Tel Aviv.

Gad Yaacobi, chairman of the Knesset Economics Committee, will speak on the economic crisis at the Haifa Maritime and Economics Club, Zion Hotel, 1 o'clock today. Table reservations by phone, 04-537766.

ARRIVALS

Irwin S. Field, chairman of the United Israel Appeal, to participate in the meetings of the board of governors of the Jewish Agency.

Isador Maud, federal president of the UJA-Keren Hayesod in Australia, for meetings of the Jewish Agency board of governors and Keren Hayesod board of trustees.

ANOTHER SUB. — The Egyptian Navy is to obtain a third submarine from China by the end of the year, Navy Chief Rear-Admiral Ali Tawfik Gad told news reporters in Cairo yesterday.

HOME NEWS

Agreement on Lebanon talks site

BEIRUT (AP). — Lebanese President Amin Gemayel's government, forced to cancel reconciliation talks on the outskirts of Beirut, yesterday announced that leaders of Lebanon's warring factions had agreed to a new site for their meeting.

Both Foreign Minister Elie Salem and Saudi mediator Rafik Hariri appeared live on Lebanon's state television to announce that a new site for the talks had been agreed upon.

But neither Hariri nor Salem would elaborate on the new date and venue.

Salem said the conference will be held "in a friendly country. We look forward to holding the conference very soon — as soon as diplomatic contacts for arrangements have been completed with that friendly country."

Government sources suggested Geneva as the most likely site for

the meeting and said it would probably get underway early next week.

"After contacts with the (Lebanese opposition) National Salvation Front and (Syrian) Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam, I conveyed to Foreign Minister Salem that all responses were positive concerning the new site of the national reconciliation conference," Hariri said on television.

The government's efforts to bring together leaders of Lebanon's warring factions in Switzerland came a day after opposition leaders refused to attend the opening session of talks that Gemayel had scheduled at Beirut International Airport.

Druse leader Walid Jumblatt, who survived an assassination attempt last December, declared the airport unsafe and said "Geneva could be the convenient place for everyone and the safest place."

Tunis, where the Arab League is headquartered, was considered a back-up choice, the sources said.

The reconciliation conference was called for in the September 26 cease-fire ending the fighting between Druse and Shia Moslem militias on one side and the Lebanese Army and fighters of the Christian Phalange Party on the other.

A French soldier of the multinational peacekeeping force was slightly wounded in West Beirut, meanwhile, when a roadside explosion went off as a French truck passed by.

Sniping at army positions opposite the Shia Moslem neighbourhood of Chiyah was reported throughout the day. Police said a Lebanese Army soldier and a policeman were killed along with three gunmen firing across the "Green Line" into the Christian area of Ein Rummana.

PLO rivals contradict Arafat on strategy

By DAVID BERNSTEIN
Post-Mideast Affairs Reporter and Agencies

There were conflicting reports last night concerning PLO chairman Yasser Arafat's future strategy.

Arafat was quoted as telling a Hungarian newspaper yesterday that the minimum condition for ending the quarrels within his movement is a return to the Middle East peace plan adopted by last September's Arab summit in Fez.

That plan calls for the creation of an independent Palestinian state while tacitly acknowledging Israel's right to exist in its pre-1967 borders.

But an official PLO spokesman in Kuwait announced that Arafat and his mainstream Fatah group had accepted proposals put forward by George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and

Nayif Hawatma's Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which rejected all peace plans and called for an all-out armed struggle against Israel.

The Fatah office in Kuwait said that acceptance of these demands, as well as the demand for a collective leadership to replace the authoritarian rule of Arafat, was announced in Tripoli by the PLO leader's second in command, Khalil Wazir (Abu Jihad).

The proposals put forward by Habash and Hawatma at a press conference earlier this week echoed identical demands made by dissidents in Fatah and so far rejected by Arafat.

Their public endorsement of these demands was seen as an attempt to warn Arafat that he could not count indefinitely on the sup-

port of Habash and Hawatma for his continued leadership of the PLO if he persists in stressing diplomacy at the expense of armed struggle.

The apparent warning followed two public announcements by Arafat last week that he is working toward renewing his dialogue with Jordan, which had to bow out of cooperating with President Ronald Reagan's Middle East peace initiative after King Hussein failed to win a PLO mandate to negotiate the return of the West Bank on its behalf.

In Cairo, meanwhile, President Hosni Mubarak disclosed yesterday that visiting Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu had told him that there is still hope for a Palestinian-Jordanian agreement on a joint approach to peace negotiations with Israel.

REAGAN

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as well as Jordan.

From Reagan's remarks, it was apparent that the president is not tilting toward Syria, as some reports have recently suggested. Other U.S. officials may be moving in that direction, but not Reagan, who continues to see in the Syrians a close ally of Moscow.

"We're going to keep on doing what we have been doing — trying to complete the plan which we launched a little more than a year ago. We know there are hazards there. No one can feel more deeply about the loss of life and the wounding of some of our men there," the president said.

"We knew it was a hazardous undertaking when we joined in the multinational force. But our objective remains the same."

Reagan said the U.S. has "made great progress" in Lebanon. He singled out former special Middle East envoy Philip Habib and Robert McFarlane for warm praise.

He noted the cease-fire and recalled the constant shelling of Beirut just one year ago. That shelling, he said, was killing "literally hundreds of civilians on a daily basis, wounding others grievously."

"As long as there is a possibility of making the overall peace plan work, we're going to stay there," he said.

Reagan said Israel's northern border had been "violated by terrorist groups — the innocent people there being killed. They (Israel) had a responsibility to try and defend that border."

Reagan called resolving the problems in Lebanon "the first phase" in the broader scheme to bring peace to the region. He said his long-range goal is to find "the more moderate Arabs" who might be willing to make peace with Israel along the lines of the late Egyptian president Anwar Sadat. But all of that, he added, "hinges on the resolution of Lebanon."

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In Memoriam

President Chaim Herzog, ministers and MKs were among those attending a memorial service yesterday at Jerusalem's Mount Herzl on the ninth anniversary of the death of the third president of Israel, Zalman Shazar.

UN move to suspend Israel averted by Norwegian ploy

By LEON HADAR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS. — A move to reject Israel's diplomatic credentials to the UN General Assembly failed yesterday morning.

The assembly met to consider the first report to the credentials committee, which recommended approving the credentials of all members. But the Iranian delegation proposed an amendment to reject Israel's credentials. The Iranian move was supported by the delegations of Libya, Syria and South Yemen.

The U.S. announced that any move to suspend Israel would result in an American cut-off of its financial contribution to the organization and possibly an American withdrawal from the assembly and other UN bodies. West European and Third World members also were opposed to the move, fearing

it would lead to a crisis in the organization.

Speaking on behalf of the five members of the Nordic group, Norway proposed a motion based on Article 74 of the rules of procedures of the General Assembly, according to which "during the discussion of any matter, a representative may move the adjournment of the item under discussion." Norway proposed to end the debate on the Iranian amendment thus keeping it from coming to a vote. Seventy-nine members supported the Norwegian motion, 43 — most of them Moslem states — opposed it, and 19 members abstained. Thus the motion was adopted, meaning that the assembly decided not to vote on the Iranian amendment.

Israel's UN Ambassador Yehuda Blum said following the vote that the forces of "bigotry and gangsterism" were again defeated.

Jews and Arabs confer in Hebron

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The acting Mayor of Hebron Zamir Shemesh yesterday summoned some 50 of the town's Arab residents to a meeting with representatives of their Jewish neighbors from Kiryat Arba, Arab and Israeli sources said last night.

The meeting, which took place in the municipal offices, came after years of increasing violence between Arabs and Jews in the city of the patriarchs. It also clearly indicated the extent to which the settlers have been able to influence Shemesh and his superiors.

Shemesh, a veteran employee of the civil administration, was appointed to run the town following the dismissal of the Arab mayor and council three months ago. Since then, settlers can be seen daily inside the municipal offices.

At yesterday's meeting, the set-

tlers said that since they are in Hebron to stay, there must be good relations between the two communities. They also proposed that a joint committee be established to coordinate between the two sides and to reduce tension where possible.

The Arab representatives, members of the local Chamber of Commerce and Arab employees of the civil administration, complained about some of the settlers' actions, particularly the constant loss of what they see as Arab land to Israeli settlement.

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LOCAL ELECTIONS

Likud lists deprived of funding

Because of mounting tension between members of Herut and Liberals within the Likud, 10 local Likud lists are being deprived of any financial support for their campaign from party headquarters with only a few days left until election day.

The growing Herut-Liberal friction was predicted as soon as Menachem Begin left the political scene. The simmering tensions surfaced then, with the Liberals becoming increasingly suspicious that Herut might wish to begin removing them from Likud lists.

Many in Herut have long regarded the Liberals as free-loaders who bring few votes but are over-represented.

This tension has resulted in 10 local Likud lists being deprived of elections funds, including Herzliya, Ashkelon, Bnei Brak, Kiryat Malachi, Kiryat Ono and Kiryat Gat. Representatives of these lists protested yesterday at Likud headquarters in Tel Aviv.

The deprived candidates blame Liberal energy minister Yitzhak Moda'i, who is in charge of the Likud's municipal campaign.

They maintain that Moda'i had initially denied funds to 25 Likud lists, but after intervention by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, he relented and left only 10 localities on the blacklist.

Benny Shalita, a member of the Moda'i faction of the Liberal Party, explained yesterday that funds are indeed being denied the local lists because they had not included or had tried to oust Liberals.

But Herut MK Haim Kaufman countered by saying that the lists were all approved by top Liberals including Liberal ministers Avraham Shafir, Moshe Nissim, Gi-

deon Patt and Sara Doron. Moda'i did not go over the lists because he was out of the country at the time. On his return, he wanted changes, but it was too late.

Turnout problem

The latest poll commissioned by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek's One Jerusalem List shows that Kollek could lose his majority in the city council in next week's elections.

Kollek's One Jerusalem won a majority in the city's secular neighborhoods in the poll, which was conducted before the attack on the mayor by religious zealots last Saturday. But a low turnout by secular voters and a very high turnout by Agudat Yisrael supporters could give the Aguda four seats, One Jerusalem sources said.

According to the poll, One Jerusalem would get 14 or 15 seats on the 32-seat council. One Jerusalem now has 16 seats. The Likud would climb to six from five.

Haifa rally

Deputy Prime Minister David Levy and Defence Minister Moshe Arens are to appear at an election rally at the Ora Cinema in Haifa on Sunday in support of Yael Rom, who is running for mayor on an independent list with the local Liberal Party, Rom said yesterday.

She expressed delight that the two senior Herut ministers had decided to throw their weight behind her candidacy instead of the official Likud candidate from the Herut Party, Yom-Tov Elkayam.

(Compiled from reports by Sarah Honig, Michael Eilan and David Rudge.)

Plan makes it worth while to renew savings schemes

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

The Treasury and the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday agreed to enable participants in saving schemes maturing in the coming two months to get a bonus equal to the October or November consumer price index increase, on condition that they renew their schemes for 42 months.

Savers withdrawing their deposits after two years will get 70 per cent of the increase in the index.

The initiative arose out of concern in the Treasury that a monetary flood could follow the withdrawal of some IS45 billion in

saving schemes that mature in the next two months.

Originally, the Treasury wanted to extend the required period of additional saving to some five years. But yesterday, the Finance Committee decided to shorten the period to 3 1/2 years, and got Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orad's approval for the move.

Normally, savers renewing their schemes lose the linkage to inflation of the month in which the scheme is renewed. Since October's inflation is expected to be 15 to 20 per cent, the loss could have been large. Thus yesterday's agreement prevents such loss and enlarges the yield of the schemes.

Senior Whitehall official to visit

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Richard Luce, the British Foreign Office minister of state with responsibility for the Middle East is to pay an official visit to Israel early in November. He will also go to Jordan and Egypt.

Luce announced his plans yesterday when he addressed the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers Association.

It will be the first time he has been to Israel as minister, and the visit is regarded largely as a familiarization and good-will trip. The fact that he is including two Arab countries in this itinerary is significant, as it is virtually unheard of in Whitehall to combine Israel with visits to Arab countries.

Luce insisted on this despite opposition in certain Foreign Office

circles. He is planning to meet Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Jordan's King Hussein and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. No new British or European initiative is envisaged, but the minister will be encouraging his hosts, especially Israel, to take a fresh look at the Reagan initiative. "One of the very sad things is that this initiative has been rejected by both sides," Luce said yesterday. "It still remains a foundation for talks, and its rejection is a very serious setback. I shall ask Israel and the Arab world to reconsider their attitude to that plan."

FLIGHTS. — Cyprus Airways yesterday suspended scheduled flights to Beirut indefinitely.

Haifa lawyer suspected of crime against state security

HAIFA (Itim). — Haifa lawyer Mohammed Mi'ari, 44, and Technician student Misra Na'if Sa'id, 27, were ordered held for an additional eight days by the Haifa Magistrates Court yesterday on suspicion of having committed grave offences against the state's security. Judge Salim Jubran agreed to the extension after reading classified material shown him by the police representative.

The two are suspected of meeting with PLO chief Yasser Arafat and his deputy Farouk Kaddoumi during a UN conference on the Palestinian issue in Geneva last August.

The police representative told the court that the investigation into the meetings is still going on.

The police also told the court that during a search of Sa'id's apartment, a pamphlet of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine was found. The organization is illegal in Israel.

Mi'ari told the court that his meetings with the PLO leaders were part of the conference and that they took place in public. Other Israelis, he said, attended the conference and also met with the PLO leaders; but they have not been prosecuted. He said his arrest was political, since he had not committed any crime.

High Court rejects demand to try Peled

The High Court of Justice yesterday rejected a petition that Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir show cause why Aluf (res.) Matiyahu Peled should not be charged with aiding the enemy during wartime when he participated in press conferences in Europe in July 1982 with the Palestine Liberation Organization representative, the late Issam Sartawi.

The petitioner, lawyer Yedidyah Be'eri, was made to pay IS40,000 in court costs, half the sum to Peled's lawyer, Amnon Zichroni, and half to the Justice Ministry.

The court accepted the response of Zichroni and state representative Remato Yarek to the petition that it should not interfere with the judgment of the attorney-general since he bears the "sole authority for deciding which citizens are to be charged in court. Specifically, they said, contacts such as those made by Peled are not forbidden by law."

The court said that Zamir decided not to charge Peled for two reasons: there is insufficient evidence on which to charge him with the offence alleged by Be'eri, and there is no public interest involved in trying Peled.

The bench comprised Justices Yitzhak Kahan, Shoshana Netanyahu and Eliezer Goldenberg. (Itim).

Singer Yehoram Gaon charged with speeding

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Singer Yehoram Gaon was charged with speeding in traffic court here yesterday. The charge said that Gaon, resident of Ramat Hasharon, had been driving at 76 kilometres per hour in a 50kph zone on a Tel Aviv street. Gaon failed to appear yesterday, and the trial was postponed until a later date.

The unveiling of the tombstone for our beloved

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will take place on Wednesday, October 26, 1983, at 3.30 p.m. at Holon Cemetery (Old Gate). A bus will be available for those wishing to attend, leaving at 2.45 p.m. from the Mann Auditorium plaza. Our thanks to all who offered condolences and shared our grief, in Israel and abroad.

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The Chitlaru and Briggs families

Local election filing date extended

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A host of complaints, lawsuits and a High Court order against Interior Minister Yosef Burg has led elections commissioner Meir Shoham to re-open filing time for candidates and electoral lists for the municipal elections on October 25.

The deadline for submitting the lists had originally been set for 9 p.m. September 16. That date was chosen to occur before the Succot and Id al-Adha holidays, and many candidates and party secretaries barely filed their lists in time.

The situation was aggravated by last-minute defections and changes in party allegiances among several candidates for mayor in large cities.

In Haifa, mayoralty candidate Yael Rom had her nomination list disqualified because of an error on the list of names of her faction members, and the absence of a signature of one of the members.

As dozens of similarly offended candidates started legal action, the High Court on Monday ordered Interior Minister Burg to show cause why her candidacy should not be accepted. Faced with this situation, Shoham announced yesterday that election clerks will once again accept lists, this Friday between 9 and 11 a.m.

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Central bank monitors municipal debts

By AVI TEMKIN

Local authorities engaged in large development projects may find their bank credit drying up in the coming days because of Bank of Israel and Treasury intervention.

Sources at the central bank yesterday said that in recent weeks, several municipalities have requested large amounts of credit from commercial banks to finance development and other projects.

The sources added that this was probably due to the coming municipal elections, and the local authorities' efforts to show "results" to the voters before the poll.

According to regulations, local authorities cannot ask for credit from commercial banks beyond 5 per cent of their annual budgets. For any deviation from this rule, they need approval from the

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Phone workers in capital hold strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem offices of the phone services were chaotic yesterday as workers held a wildcat strike and refused to receive the public.

The strikers, who remained in their offices, are demanding salary increases. According to notices posted in the office, where hundreds of people come daily to inquire about bills and service, the strike will continue "until further notice."

The Communications Ministry

spokesman called the strike "misguided," asserting that the ministry could not open negotiations over wages in the middle of the period covered by a wage agreement. In addition, the entire communications unit of the ministry will be transferred in the next few months to the public communications company Bezeq, and nothing can be done until then, he added.

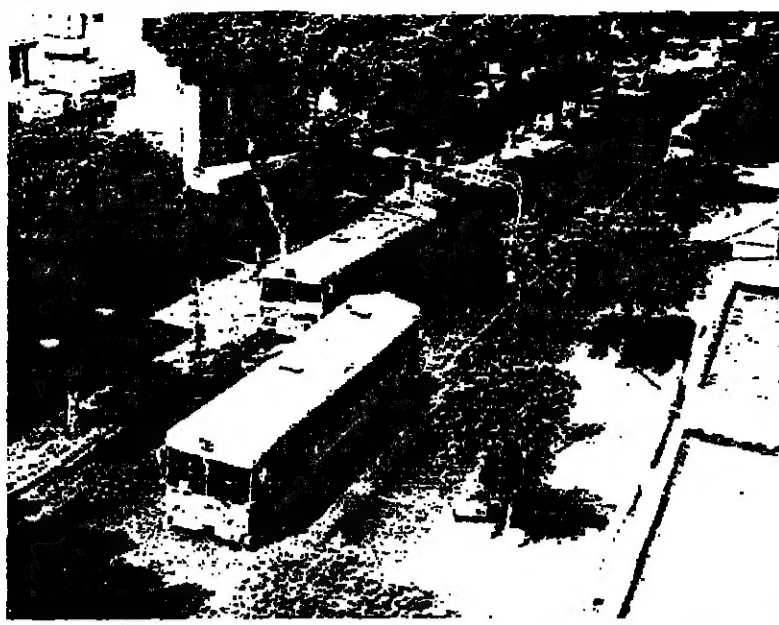
Some phone-service workers in other parts of the country have held sporadic strikes in recent weeks.

U.S. aircraft carrier to call at Haifa port

HAIFA. — The American aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower, at present backing up the marines outside Beirut, is to visit here next month, it was learned yesterday.

A tentative arrival date has been set for October 11 and the ship is to stay for six days, affording shore leave to its crew of 6,000 sailors and pilots.

The port management is checking the possibility of enabling the ship to tie up at the new eastern quay, as requested by the U.S. Navy.



Tel Aviv's Rehov Dizengoff is virtually empty yesterday because of an experimental traffic plan leaving the popular thoroughfare open only to bus and emergency vehicles from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. The experiment will continue until September 30. (Israel Sun)

Herzog hosts Arab notables

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

President Chaim Herzog complained yesterday that the world is "apathetic" to the bloodshed taking place in Lebanon.

He compared this to international opinion a year ago, when — scandalized by the Sabra and Shatila massacres outside Beirut — countries pointed an accusing finger against "Israel, even though she is innocent of blame."

Herzog was speaking before some 40 Arab notables from around the country at a reception in Beit Hanassi marking the Muslim holiday of al-Adha. It was attended by Beduin, Arab notables and Kadis

(religious judges), but Druse religious leaders were absent because their religious holidays have been canceled due to events in Lebanon involving their co-religionists.

"Would that negotiations replace cannon and tolerance take the place of zealotry and radicalism in Lebanon, and that the killing, suffering and destruction would end," Herzog told the Arab notables. "In essence, Lebanon belongs to the Lebanese and they must find a way to sit down together in peace."

Herzog, who spoke some words in Arabic, sent greetings to the thousands of Israeli Moslems who went to Mecca for the holidays and wished them a safe return home.

Israeli Druse back siege

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israeli Druse leaders said yesterday that the attack by Lebanese Druse on the strategic town of Suk al-Gharb was an attempt to link up with isolated Druse villages and not a prelude to an attack on Beirut.

They also claimed that Phalange representatives have for several days been in Damascus conducting secret negotiations with the Syrians. Zaidan Atshe, former MK and ex-Israeli information consul in New York, told a press conference in Jerusalem that the crossroads town held by the Lebanese Army cut off some 20 Druse villages from the Druse heartland in the Shouf Mountains.

"Suk al-Gharb is no danger to the Jemayel regime or to Beirut," he said. "I can speak for the Druse community in Lebanon." If the Christians continued to hold the town, he said, it would "strangle" the Druse community.

Another Israeli Druse spokesman, Dr. Jamal Hassun, said, "The Druse won't enter Beirut if they conquer Suk al-Gharb. They would be ready to start negotiations immediately."

The two were among a group of Druse leaders attempting to rebut what they termed propaganda being swallowed by the Israeli press from Lebanese Christian radio and new-

papers. The Druse in Lebanon, they noted, have no similar information facilities.

Atshe said it was sad to see the United States, "a country we all love," throwing its military might against Lebanon's 300,000 Druse "who are struggling for their existence and national rights and equality."

Suk al-Gharb, he said, was 23 kilometers from the U.S. Marines lines outside Beirut airport and the Druse presence in the town did not constitute a danger to the American forces. If the Druse had wanted to shell the Marines, he said, they could do so from the positions they now hold.

"The Americans are gambling on a very unreliable element" in linking themselves to the Christians, said Atshe.

As for the presence of Palestine Liberation Organization forces in the Shouf, Atshe said that the Druse had not invited them "but some Palestinians exploited the situation and infiltrated."

Before the Israeli pullback, said Hassun, many in the Lebanese Druse community were willing to permit the Lebanese Army into the Shouf. Following a massacre of Druse villagers immediately after the pullback, however, the Druse united against the idea of letting the army in, he said.

New book shows Barbie hunted down French Jews

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — "Conclusive proof" that Klaus Barbie persecuted French Jews is provided in a book to be published here in January entitled *Klaus Barbie: Butcher of Lyons*. The author is Tom Bowyer, who two years ago wrote *Blind Eye to Murder*, an investigation of what Bowyer called the unsuccessful denazification of Germany.

In an extract from his new book published in *The Times* on Monday, Bowyer writes that when Barbie arrived in Lyons on November 11, 1942, almost 42,000 Jews had been deported from France to Auschwitz, less than half the number that Adolf Eichmann had been promised.

The orders from Paris were to complete the task in the early weeks of 1943. Barbie and his subordinates therefore led a series of raids on the

city's Jewish population, Bowyer says.

One of those raids took place on February 9 on the Lyons headquarters of the national coordinating body of French Jewry.

Bowyer writes: "Barbie arrived very early in the morning, arrested those who were inside, and waited to arrest anyone who arrived during the day... Most of those who came wanted advice on escaping from the Germans and false papers or financial aid."

Over 100 were arrested and 86 were deported to Auschwitz. The telex from Gestapo headquarters in Lyons to Paris announcing their arrest and deportation was sent on February 14 and signed by Barbie — conclusive proof that he was directly involved in persecuting the Jews, Barbie denies that he knew the fate to which he was sending those Jews he deported from Lyons.

Haifa awards annual municipal prizes

HAIFA. — Mayor Arye Gur-El last night awarded a record 14 city prizes at a Haifa municipal auditorium ceremony. A city hall spokesman said the forthcoming elections had nothing to do with the large number of prizes.

The David Pinsky Literature Prize was awarded to poet Ya'acov Orland and Yiddish writer Dr. Leib Kofand, and the Rabbi Kaniel Prize for religious scholarship to Haifa Sephardi Chief Rabbi Elyahu Bakshi-Doron.

The other prizes and their recipients are:

Frank Peleg Musicology Prize — Moshe Jacobson.
Dr. F. Schiff Plastic Arts Prize — Dov Medzini.
Herman Struck Art Prize — Pnina Hazan and Yehoshua Hess.
Arthur Ruppin Research Prize — Professor Arnon Sofer, Dr. Baruch Kipnis and Judge Aharon Melamed.
Avraham Kariv Literature Prize — Dr. Baruch Link.
Sports Prize — Avraham Klein.
City Prize for Young Volunteers — Anat Enkaveh.
Ya'acov Dori Technology Prize — The National Science and Technology Museum, Technoda.

Beit Hanassi gets 2 antique clocks

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two antique clocks, left untouched during last April's burglary of the Mayer Institute of Islamic Art in Jerusalem, have been lent to Beit Hanassi for display in the official reception hall.

The clocks, on show inside a large glass case from the museum, arrived

at Beit Hanassi this week. One, made around 1770 by Hinton, *Aggen, of England*, is nearly 80 centimetres tall. Next to it is a smaller clock made around 1780 by another British firm.

An employee from the Islamic Museum around the corner from Beit Hanassi will come to the presidential residence once a month to wind them.

Health Ministry reports on AIDS disease

Blood donors to be screened closely

By MARGERY GREENFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Better data collection, precautionary clinical measures, public education and tighter screening of blood donors are among the major recommendations released yesterday by the Health Ministry's special committee on the infectious disease AIDS.

AIDS, an acronym for acquired immune deficiency syndrome, causes a near-total collapse of the body's immune system, leaving the victim prey to cancers, respiratory diseases and other infections that the body is unable to resist.

The deadly disease is thought to be transmitted by a virus, but so far neither its cause nor its cure have been found. Since the disease first appeared in the U.S. in 1979, more than 70 per cent of its over 2,000 victims have been male homosexuals. Other high-risk groups include hemophiliacs, Haitians and intravenous drug users, with a smattering of cases that fit into no special category.

Six cases of AIDS have been reported in Israel so far — four among homosexual males and two among hemophiliacs. Two of the victims have died, Prof. Tiberio Schwartz, the ministry's chief

epidemiologist and head of the special committee, said yesterday.

The Health Ministry has already implemented several of the recommendations presented earlier this month by its special committee, which was appointed about two months ago by Director-General Baruch Modan, a ministry spokesman said yesterday.

Regarding the recommendation to "collect reliable data on the prevalence of AIDS" here, the ministry has placed AIDS on the list of diseases, such as typhus, typhoid and venereal diseases, which must be reported to the health authorities.

In response to the clinical recommendations, the ministry issued guidelines to all hospitals, requiring the isolation of all suspected or confirmed cases of AIDS. Strict precautionary measures were suggested for all medical staff treating AIDS patients. Special safety measures are also specified for laboratory workers testing materials from AIDS victims.

The committee designated male homosexuals and hemophiliacs as the two major high-risk groups in Israel. It recommended informing homosexuals of the nature and possible dangers of the disease, a task

the ministry will assign to the district health offices.

The committee paid special attention to the problem of donating and transfusing blood, which many researchers feel is involved in the transmission of AIDS. The panel recommended that the screening process for blood donors, which now excludes those who have had hepatitis and other infectious diseases, be expanded to include members of high-risk groups.

A team of Health Ministry experts, in cooperation with the management of the Magen David Adom Blood Bank, has been charged with working out ways to prohibit blood donations from persons in high-risk groups.

Concurrently, the ministry is investigating the possibility of producing all necessary blood products locally, to eliminate the import of such products. It should be noted that while strict screening procedures for blood donors have been adopted in the U.S. in response to the growing panic there over AIDS, not one case of AIDS has been directly linked to the millions of blood transfusions performed in the U.S. every year, according to a recent *Newsweek* article.

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Sidney Olson is a regional vice-president of the National Board of Directors of the American Committee for Shaare Zedek and is chairman of the South-East Region. He is on the Board of Overseers of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Director of the Jewish Heritage Institute, and the Mt. Sinai Medical Center Foundation. Mr. Olson is also active in the support of numerous charities in the Miami region.

An internationally known coin collector, Mr. Olson's relationship with Shaare Zedek began with the acquisition of a rare "Mata-voucher" issued in Jerusalem in 1916 by Dr. Moche Wallach, the first medical director of Shaare Zedek. Mr. Olson is active in several numismatic societies.

The Olsons will be honored by Shaare Zedek Medical Center at the annual dinner of its Board of Governors on Hol Hamo'ed Succot, September 27, 1983, in the Succa of the Laromme Hotel in Jerusalem.

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Soviets to hand Japan recovered plane items

WAKKANAI, Japan (AP). — The Soviet Union yesterday informed the Japanese Embassy in Moscow that on September 26 it will hand over "items and documents" from a South Korean passenger plane downed by Soviet missiles, the Foreign Ministry here said.

A Ministry official, who asked not to be named, said the Soviet Union did not elaborate on the kind of material it would turn over to the Japanese.

He added that the Soviet government asked the Japanese to come to Nevelsk, on the west coast of Sakhalin near the area where the Korean Airlines jet is thought to have gone down, to receive the material. The Soviets also specified that the Japanese are not to use a warship.

Soviet ambassador to Japan

Vladimir Pavlov stated on September 8 that the Soviet Union would turn over items from the downed Korean aircraft "in the near future," and that the Soviet Union would report on its search operations in accordance with "international practices."

The Soviet Union has so far provided no details of its exhaustive search of waters off Sakhalin, where U.S. and Soviet vessels yesterday weathered a storm that momentarily halted search operations.

In Washington, Defence Department sources yesterday said that a U.S. navy ship picked up the sounds emitted from the inflight recorder known as the "black box" of the Korean airliner for about 90 minutes on Monday but lost the signal.

The U.S. Navy said it found four U.S. navy ships searching international waters for the wreckage, heard the sounds on an underwater microphone trailing beneath the ship, said the sources, who declined to be identified.

The black box records the conversations of the cockpit crew and is designed to survive crashes. If recovered, it could give information about whether the Koreans knew that they had strayed off course and were flying over Soviet territory.

But the signal was lost and not recovered.

The search is complicated by a large number of sunken ships on the bottom and the many ships searching the area, the sources said, adding, "There's a lot out there and it's easy to pick up false signals."

The U.S. State Department, accusing the Soviet Union of "disinformation and lying," denied yesterday a Soviet allegation that Korean Air Lines flight 007 was part of a large-scale U.S. intelligence operation involving military planes, naval vessels and spy satellites.

"The U.S., unlike the Soviet Union, does not use civilian airliners for intelligence purposes," State Department spokesman John Hughes said.

TASS on Monday said that the Korean jetliner, shot down three weeks ago by a Soviet interceptor, was deliberately delayed by 40 minutes to coordinate its movements of a Ferret-D intelligence satellite and that its flight was monitored throughout by U.S. radio navigation systems.

Crowds in Manila demand ouster of President Marcos

MANILA (AP). — A planned financial-district rally to support beleaguered President Ferdinand Marcos turned into a massive anti-government ticket demonstration yesterday, while thousands of youths gathered across town for one of the biggest anti-Marcos demonstrations in recent years.

Demonstrators burned a stage set up for the government rally in suburban Makati before dispersing, and the students set afire effigies of Marcos and the U.S. symbol Uncle Sam in front of the main Manila post office before marching through city streets.

The two demonstrations protested the August 21 assassina-

tion of opposition leader Benigno Aquino and called for Marcos's resignation.

The Supreme Court yesterday further delayed formal investigation into the killing of Aquino and the immediate shooting of his alleged assassin by government troops by giving opposition lawyers 10 days to submit briefs. The opposition had challenged the commission as subservient to Marcos. The government side submitted its arguments on Monday.

An estimated 7,000 students grouped in front of the post office with signs reading "Oust U.S.-backed Marcos regime."

China calls British attitude over Hongkong 'colonialist'

PEKING (Reuters). — China accused Britain yesterday of adopting a colonialist attitude over Hongkong, and said it intends to play a substantive role in running the territory after it regains sovereignty in 1997.

The Communist Party newspaper People's Daily said in an article published two days before talks resume on the future of the colony that China is fully entitled under international law to regain sovereignty over Hongkong.

The article challenged British statements that Britain has a moral responsibility for the territory. It

said that as the overwhelming majority of the population is Chinese, "only the Chinese government is their true representative."

Britain and China have held three rounds of talks since July aimed at settling the future of Hongkong after a 99-year lease on most of the territory expires in 1997.

The article said: "(The British) are still adopting a colonialist stance, their central intention being to continue their colonialist rule in Hongkong. This not only goes against the tide of history, but also does not have a legal foot to stand on."

Andropov appeals directly to Bonn deputies on missiles

MOSCOW (AP). — Soviet President Yuri Andropov yesterday appealed directly to West German legislators to prevent deployment of U.S. nuclear missiles and help avert a nuclear war "that would be a hell for the whole of mankind."

Andropov urged West Germans to take "the most vigorous and decisive action" to forestall NATO's planned deployment of 572 Pershing-2 and cruise missiles on the territory of West Germany and other U.S. allies.

The Communist Party general secretary's comments came in a reply to what the official TASS news agency called an appeal by "a group of West German Bundestag deputies."

Andropov repeated the latest Soviet position at the Geneva talks on reducing medium-range nuclear weapons, and also reiterated the Soviet call for bilateral disarmament and a ban on testing new nuclear weapons.

About 60 West German Social Democratic deputies wrote letters to both the U.S. Congress and Supreme Soviet on July 11 concerning the Geneva arms talks.

According to TASS, the legislators told Andropov in their letter that they are "aware of the guilt of fascist Germany which in-

licted great sufferings to other peoples this century" and are worried about the possibility of a new war.

The TASS English-language service said Andropov charged that the U.S. does not want an agreement in Geneva, and added:

"You do not want the threat of war to emanate from the territory of your country, which would be a hell for the whole of mankind. We do not want this either. Everything must be done to prevent this happening."

"I express the hope," Andropov said, "that deputies of the Bundestag — the country's supreme body of state authority — will act with profound awareness of duty and responsibility resting on them. There is still a chance to keep the world from involvement in a new round of the arms race."

In Bonn yesterday, two of the deputies who signed the appeal released a statement saying Andropov's answer was an "encouragement that the last word has not yet been spoken at Geneva."

"Much now depends on whether the Soviet proposals are not only examined, but are answered with constructive western counter-proposals," deputies Lieselott Blunck and Gert Weisskirchen said in the statement.

No end seen in Belgian public workers strike

BRUSSELS (AP). — Strikes by public servants against planned cuts in wages and benefits paralyzed Belgium for a sixth consecutive day yesterday. There was no sign the strikes would end soon.

The Brussels airport remained closed, and the railways, the port of

Antwerp, the National Broadcast Service and public transportation through virtually all of the country were idle or operated on a sharply reduced schedule.

Many schools remained closed, and prison guards stayed off the job.

Ten Afghan air violations over Pakistan

ISLAMABAD (Reuters). — Pakistan yesterday accused neighbouring Afghanistan of entering its airspace 10 times in two days, on one occasion bombing and strafing an isolated Pakistani village.

Foreign Secretary Niaz Naik told reporters here that there were four incidents on Sunday and six on Monday, bringing to 23 the number of Afghan incursions into Pakistani territory since August 1.

"This is the first time they have dropped bombs and strafed," he said, referring to the incident on Sunday near Parachinar, 140km. west of the north-west frontier capital of Peshawar.

Latest information indicated that six Afghan MiG fighter jets dropped nine bombs and strafed a tiny village named Yusuf Khel outside Parachinar, injuring six people, Naik said.

The Afghan planes took no aggressive action in the other airspace violations, he added.

Naik declined to give any reason for the upsurge in border violations, but Western diplomats here have suggested the bombing could be a warning to Pakistan to stay flexible in the now deadlocked talks through a UN intermediary on a political solution to the Afghan crisis.

In New Delhi, a Western diplomatic report yesterday said that Afghan insurgents attacked the airport at Mazar Sharif in northern Afghanistan with mortars, rockets and heavy machine-guns earlier this month, destroying several aircraft.

Afghan rebels also ambushed government convoys in the Shomali area, Logar Valley and Salang Pass, the report said, quoting travellers who had come to the capital last weekend. A number of vehicles were destroyed and Soviet and Afghan troops killed in each battle, it said.

The raid on the airport at Mazar Sharif, a key city in Balkh province about 60 kilometres from the Soviet border, was carried out September 5 or 6 by 150 insurgents, said the report from a source who cannot be identified under rules governing the briefing of reporters.

17 drug smugglers executed in Iran

TEHRAN (Reuters). — Seventeen drug smugglers with long criminal records were executed yesterday in Iran, Tehran radio reported. From the names given by the radio, four of those executed appeared to have been women and the rest men.

The radio did not say how the death sentences were carried out.



Minister without Portfolio Ariel Sharon is surrounded by supporters from the Youth for Israel movement on Monday evening in Jerusalem's Ben-Yehuda pedestrian mall. In his address there, Sharon condemned the press as harmful to the country, and disparaged the Kahan Commission of Inquiry into the Sabra and Shatila massacres last September. (Zamir-Scoop 80)

JOURNALISTS

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Jerusalem Journalists Association, announced that the association's "order" to members to ostracize Sharon "is our way of protesting Sharon's wild incitement against the news media, which has been going on for a long time."

Last night, Sharon hit back at the Jerusalem Journalists Association, saying, "It's not new, and only confirms what I have been saying all along: the press is free to malign me, but when I reply, they charge me with verbal violence."

He said the media's "sustained character-assassination" effort against him had failed, and so now they were seeking to muzzle him.

Herut's spokesman said there is a "dictatorship of the press" in Israel.

The ban on covering Sharon's appearances is "a serious blow to democracy," he said.

The Labour Party yesterday demanded that Sharon be expelled from the cabinet immediately for speaking against the Kahan Commission.

Peace Now cabled Justice Minister Moshe Nissim, urging him to reprimand Sharon for his attacks on the Kahan Commission findings.

The Jerusalem association's action was not taken at a meeting of members, but after a telephone poll in which a majority of the 15-member representative committee backed the blackout on Sharon. Committee members who opposed the order said they want a general membership meeting convened soon to consider the action.

Gandhi gets warm welcome in Cyprus

NICOSIA (AP). — Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was given a tumultuous welcome by tens of thousands of Greek Cypriots yesterday, the first day of her official three-day visit to this war-divided island.

Large crowds lining the route from the airport to nearby Larnaca and in the capital, Nicosia, chanted "Gandhi, Gandhi," as the Indian leader accompanied by Cypriot President Spyros Kyprianou drove past through flag-bedecked streets. India, both as the current president of the non-aligned group of nations, as well as in the past, has been

a strong supporter of demands for the withdrawal of the Turkish occupation troops from the northern part of Cyprus.

India has also been one of the leading nations supporting efforts for the reunification of Cyprus and for the abolition of the *de facto* partition created by the Turkish invasion in 1974.

THATCHER. — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher arrived yesterday in West Germany for a two-day tour of British military installations, as well as in the past, has been

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A symposium under the auspices of the "Grunstein-Shamir Foundation for the Visual Documentation of Jewish Life in Poland"

on:
Zionist Youth Movements in Poland before the Holocaust

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Participants: Mr. Abraham Giveler, Mrs. Chajka Grooman, Mr. Moshe Kol, Mrs. Sara Stern-Katan, Mr. Matyahu Shmulevitz.

Moderator: Dr. Joshua Rotenstreich.

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The public is requested to arrive by 11 a.m.

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ENTERTAINMENT

TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL:

9.10 The White Tiger from Grembling
10.35 Vito — the Indian Superman
11.05 Songs of Tchernichovsky
14.00 Pests: Butterfly
14.25 Cartoon about Spain in the Middle Ages (part 1)

ARABIC-LANGUAGE programmes:

18.30 News roundup
18.32 The Land of the Dead
18.35 Inventions and Innovations
19.00 Hollywood and the Stars
19.30 News

HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at

20.00 with Holiday Trip — M. Sussia
20.15 News
20.30 This is Your Life — Yehoram Golan (part 1)

JORDAN TV (unofficial)

17.40 Cartoons 18.00 French Hour 18.30 (JTV 3) Richie Rich 18.40 (JTV 3) Amazing Animals 19.00 News in French 19.30 News in Hebrew 20.00 News in Arabic 20.30 To be announced 21.10 Documentary 22.00 News in English 22.15 The Lady in White.

Thursday

ARABIC LANGUAGE programmes:
18.30 News roundup
18.32 Situation
18.45 Cartoons
19.00 Documentary
19.30 News

HEBREW PROGRAMMES begin at

20.00 with a programme about Succot customs.
21.00 Mahat Newsweek
21.15 Who is worth how much? Yaron London introduces 10 top workers and asks them to answer: play by Alan Ayckbourn starring Joan Hickson and Michael Denison

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ON THE AIR

Voice of Music

6.02 Musical Clock
7.07 Supper: Post and Peasant Overture

Offenbach: L'opéra from Tales of Hoff-

mann; Shostakovich: Fantasia; Handel: Concerto (Grove); Haydn: Horn Concerto No.2 (Tuckwell); Mozart: Violin Sonata (Stern); Habler: Mendelssohn: Reformations-Symphony (Philadelphina, Muth); Schubert: Trio Op.100 (Rubinstein, Sving, Fournier); Beethoven: Violin Concerto (Stern); Jerusalem Symphony, Berlin; Bruckner: String Quintet; Berlioz: Harold in Italy (Zukerman, Paris, Berensheim)

12.00 Ruth Port, violin; Mini Zamir-Capouita, piano — Christoff Foster: Sonata No.9; Mozart: Variations, K.360; Liszt: Sonata in G Major

13.05 Purcell: Music to Beneduca; Lully: Ballet Music in Le bourgeois gentilhomme; Minkus: Le Bayadere; Drigo: Flor's Rhapsody; Stravinsky: Petrushka

15.00 Little Concert
15.30 Jazz for Youth
16.00 Beethoven: Fidelio Overture (Cleveland, Scott); Beethoven: Sonata No.18 (Barenboim); Schubert: Symphony No.8 (New Philharmonia, Fischer-Dieskau); Ludwig de Wert: Symphony with Chorus; Shostakovich: Violin Concerto, Op.99 (David Oistrakh)

18.00 Succot customs in Jewish Communities
19.05 Recital — Jeffrey Kahan, Piano — Bach: Prelude and Fugue in B-flat Minor; Chopin: Sonata in B Minor, Op.58; Schubert: Impromptu, Op.90, No.3; Prokofiev: Suggestion diabolique; Debussy: Prelude; Chopin: Etude, Op.25, No.12

20.00 Haydn: The Seasons Overture (Rias Chamber Choir); Young: Philharmonic Orchestra of Germany; Use Gramscio (conducting); Saint-Saens: Trio No.2, Op.92 (Yuvall)

23.00 Chamber Music (no details available)
00.10 Choral Music

Thursday

7.00 Programmes for Olim
9.05 Philosophy with Prof. Adi Zemach
10.05 Radio Story
10.41 Light Music
11.05 Light Classical Music — works by Gounod, Saint — Saens, Debussy, Irving Berlin, Satie and de Falla

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Second Programme

6.12 Gymnastics
6.30 Editorial Review
6.54 Green Light — drivers' corner
7.00 This Morning — news magazine
8.05 Children's programme
9.05 Morning Star — the Bee Gees
10.10 All Shades of the Network — morning magazine

12.05 Open Line — news and music
13.00 Midday — news commentary, music
14.10 A Taste of Honey — with Dan Kemer
16.05 Songs and Readings for Succot
17.05 Books are Friends
18.05 Four Kinds of People
19.05 Children's programme
20.05 Songs of Yosef Hadar
21.05 Golden Oldies
22.05 Songs and Prayers for Succot
23.05 The Little Prince by St. Exupery (excerpts)
00.10 Hebrew Songs

Thursday
7.11 Songs
8.05 Have a Laugh — skits, jokes
9.55 Sightings in Israel — with Azaria Alon
10.55 World ensembles play contemporary music
11.05 Arki Einstein on his new record
12.05 Entertainment
13.05 Wide Margin — Selections from Sheshet
14.10 Fiddlers on the Roof — Songs from the musical from productions round the world
15.05 Nahal Oz
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16.05 Matters of Taste — Selections
17.05 Hebrew Haliviv in their new programme
18.05 Close to my Heart
19.05 Colour pictures of Jerusalem
20.05 Of Men and Figures
21.10 The Hasidim of Breslav
22.05 Yiddish songs
23.05 Next Year — with astrologist Ilan Pecker

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6.05 Morning Sounds
7.07 "OT" — with Alex Anski
8.05 Morning Newsweek
9.05 Right Now — with Michael Handelshtam
10.05 Mama's Voice — special regards to soldiers
12.05 On Drivers and Traffic — holiday traffic reports, music
14.05 Succot Visitors
15.05 All kinds of Succot
16.05 Yehoram Golan's favourite songs
17.05 The Meaning of Succot
18.05 Songs for the Months of the Year
19.05 My Favourite Songs — with Zaharia Hattai

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Getting it together

Pairs of lawyers, secretaries, engineers and others are splitting the responsibilities and reaping the benefits of the same job, according to job-sharing exponent Patricia Lee. Amy Levinson reports.

THE TWO lawyers, working at the same time, neither full-time or part-time, in the traditional sense. They literally share the job, and are part of a growing number of professional pairs who are doing this in America these days, according to job-sharing exponent Patricia Lee.

Author of a newly-published book, entitled *The Complete Guide to Job-Sharing*, and head of her own consulting company, Lee believes that this new working arrangement may do wonders for employment problems all over the world. She dealt with the scepticism expressed by MKs, representatives of the Histadrut and Labour party, and personnel directors, at a recent symposium at the Jerusalem Hilton, in the same convincing way she uses when talking to corporate administrators who resist the idea of job-sharing.

"The concept of job-sharing is not really all that new," Lee told her

audience. "People experimented with it in Boston in the sixties and in 1975 in San Francisco, an organization called New Ways to Work turned job-sharing into a social issue."

"Basically, it was seen as a way for mothers to use their education and keep up with their professions and families at the same time. Also in the mid-70s, experts in the field of resource management became aware that people searching for employees could triple their response if they made a job part-time."

Lee, a self-described workaholic with a "traditional corporate background" and experience in personnel recruitment, did her own research on part-time employment, discovering that, "Where there were openings for part-time positions, the calibre of the applicants was very high. People with Master's degrees wanted to be receptionists, because this way they could work

part-time. This occurred mostly among women, but also among some men looking for employment."

Job-sharing, she explained, differs from part-time work in that it involves a voluntary arrangement whereby two people share one position, benefit from its status and professional challenges, perform as a team and establish the goals of the job — but are looked at as two professionals in their own right. Job-sharing fits the bill for people who, because of illness, retirement, family constraints and so on, want

to work part-time hours while keeping in touch with new developments in their career fields. Part-time work, Lee noted, often leads to upheaval in the work environment, while job-sharing allows the nine-to-five, five-day-a-week American work routine and normal operating procedures to go on as usual.

A convert to Judaism who works as business manager for *Jewish Frontier* (a Labour Zionist publication in America), Lee stopped working as a counsellor in human resources and personnel recruitment, and recently founded her own

Manhattan-based company to promote job-sharing, she acts "as a source of information for people who want to share jobs, and a source of propaganda for job-sharing. I have never turned down an interview by a journalist and have given many lectures."

Promoting job-sharing is something of an uphill struggle, Lee conceded, as most corporations tend to resist change. But a few large concerns, including a pharmaceutical firm and an insurance company, have been among Lee's satisfied clients. Executive

secretaries, engineers, college presidents, career planning counsellors, computer operators, married couples sharing the same profession — these are some of the job-sharing people who have come to her attention.

Working mothers and older people have been particularly pleased with the job-sharing scheme, she noted, and their employers have benefited as well.

"Job-sharing has real PR value and can do positive things for a company's image. That was the case for one client company of mine. I did a survey at the company and found out that the older workers wanted to work part-time. I suggested ways that the company could restructure its pension plans so that the older people could work (sharing jobs) and still get social security benefits. The company also organized a 'job bank' of retired workers who could job-share or work on a temporary basis, thereby

cutting down on the use of temporary agencies."

When she finished speaking, Lee opened the floor to comments and questions. MK Tamar Eshel responded and expressed the feelings of others present, saying that Lee's comments were "food for thought," but that job-sharing didn't sound very plausible for Israel — especially in the cases of women who seriously want to pursue and gain status within a certain career, or of travel agents, teachers, bank employees and others who work "split" days.

Lee promptly answered that job-sharing is not forever, and it's not for everyone.

"It is a solution for certain people who want to keep up with their field without breaking their career pattern. It is one technique for satisfying the specific needs of professional men and women during a specific time in their lives."

THERE IS *The World According to Garp* and the world according to one of Israel's leading Hebrew language weeklies which, in its Rosh Hashana issue, bestowed "outstanding persons awards" in 17 different categories. Unbelievably, no women were named "outstanding." In any, except one, of the categories — and that, even more unbelievably, was the category of "woman."

So, there we are: "Woman" is just a category of life!

Our counter-suggestions for "people of the year" awards, using the categories selected by our colleagues at the weekly mentioned above, are as follows:

The world: Yvette Rudi, Minister of Women's Affairs in France, who has led a valiant struggle to improve women's lot in her nation, and has scored a number of outstanding successes, particularly the passage of a humane abortion law, which recognizes women's right to choose whether or not to have a child.

The Region: Nawal el-Saadawi, physician, author, former Egyptian cabinet member and activist in the fight to enhance women's status in her home country and in the Arab world, for which she suffered jail and exile during the Nasser and Sadat regimes. She is to be particularly commended for her battle against the heinous practice of clitoridectomy and infibulation (partial closure of the vagina).

National policy: Gaila Cohen, with whom everyone may not agree, has proved to be one of the few politicians in our country who is true to her beliefs, which she has succeeded in turning into government policy.

The Law: Yehudit Karp, deputy attorney-general, who resigned as chairwoman of the committee investigating the implementation of the law in Judea and Samaria, when it became apparent that her committee's report was not only being ignored; but that the situation in those areas was deteriorating.

The Knesset: MK Ora Namir (Labour-Alignment), chairwoman of the Knesset Committee on Education and Sport, who has the best attendance record of all MKs, an accomplishment which in and of itself is worth noting.

YOUTH: Shuli Hartman and Janet Aviad, two young women who are among the founders and activists of the Peace Now movement.

Defence: Col. Amira Dotan, commander of the Women's Corp, who since assuming her post has worked unflinchingly to improve the position and opportunities of women in the army.

Journalism: Lea Etgar, who wrote a revealing and probing series exposing "Israel's dolce vita in Yehudit Aharoni"; and to the editors of *Nega*, the feminist Hebrew-language quarterly, for managing to keep their publication going, now past their seventh issue.

Economics: Galia Maor, at 39 one of the youngest and most able government executives who, at the Bank of

About women/Joanna Yaron

'People' of the year



Above left, clockwise: Col. Amira Dotan (Herzliya); MK Gaila Cohen (Aliza Auerbach); Yehudit Karp (Ramat Hashikma); and MK Ora Namir (Aliza Auerbach).

Israel, has successfully fulfilled her commission: as comptroller and auditor of Israel's banks.

Religion: Sylvia Mandelbaum, who founded and remains active in the "Mitzvah" organization of religious men and women, through which she has expressed the beauty and compassion that really is Judaism. Mitzvah, among other activities, wages a tireless struggle to improve the situation of women going through the divorce procedure in our rabbinical courts.

Broadcasting: Judith Lutz, first woman to break through the male barrier of reporting (as opposed to merely announcing) on Israel TV's *Mabat* news programme.

Medicine: Prof. Shoshana Biran, a pioneer in new ways of treating breast cancer and director of the Oncology Department at the Hadassah Medical Centre, Jerusalem, who is known not only for her medical abilities, but for her special doctor-patient relationships.

Theatre: Noa Chilton, for introducing and keeping alive the avant garde theatre in Israel; and to Leora Rivlin, for her outstanding performance as the mother in "A Jewish Soul."

Sport: Orna Orstfeld, captain of the women's Maccabi Darom Ramat Her basketball team, who against all odds and with little financial or other assistance, lead her team to

victory in the competition for the national cup award.

Literature: Shulamit Lapid, whose latest novel *Gai-Ori*, (today, Rosh Pina), brilliantly portrays the moving and inspiring story of the women of the First Aliya in the latter part of the last century, through the eyes of the heroine of the book.

The Jewish World: Chantal Perez, a founder and vice-president of the Socialism and Judaism organization in France, a leader of the French Jewish left and French women's left, who led the successful struggle against holding the UN Conference on Palestine with the participation of PLO leaders in Paris last month. (It was held in Geneva). Perez denounced the conference as a provocation of the French Jewish community, which had suffered so much in the past, and spoke against the PLO, which had "chosen the way of violence rather than negotiations."

And, the last category we shall mention...

Mao: Former president Yitzhak Navon, for standing by his wife Ophira through her difficult illness and through the later, vicious smear campaign waged against her, without flinching or missing a beat in his public duties, and for retiring — even temporarily (!) — from his political career, in order to strengthen and preserve his family life.

The Need for a Law
Encouraging this attitude of shunting women into a small corner of life, and not viewing them as part of the larger world is a result of the lack of strong legal provision for women's equality in this, and most other, countries.

The beautiful statement of equality in Israel's Declaration of Independence is not binding as this document has no legal power. The 1951 Law of Equality for Women is almost totally impotent, as it is not a basic law but a regular law, and therefore takes no precedent over other laws. In addition, this law does not even attempt to assure women's equality in any particular area, with the exception of the right to maintain control over her own property, which formerly passed on to her husband upon marriage; and the right to be legal guardian of her children, where formerly this right went automatically to the father.

Even the recently promulgated Law of Equal Opportunity serves nearly no purpose (except perhaps political pretensions for its author), as it is a law without clout.

To correct this legal limbo for women, Dr. Nitzza Shapira-Libai, the Advisor to the Prime Minister on the Status of Women, has prepared an excellent draft basic law guaranteeing the equality of women and men, which, if passed, will take precedent over all regular laws, and will represent almost complete equality for women in all walks of life. The only exception is the law of personal status (marriage and divorce), which for pragmatic reasons is specifically mentioned as not being included.

This basic law has been on the Minister of Justice's desk since mid-January, with no word on its status heard yet. Is it not time, Mr. Minister, to step forward and offer this basic law to the Knesset?

Women watch: Congratulations and good luck to Yosepha Steiner, recently appointed director of Welfare Services for Women in the Ministry of Labour and Welfare. This new department was created out of the formerly separate services for Girls in Distress and Battered Women, and the new services for female victims of sexual assault (which will assist the public organizations already active in the field), and the recently established project for the advancement of disadvantaged young women prior to their military service. This latter project finally rounds out the similar service rendered to disadvantaged young men, which has been in operation for many years. Prior to this position, Steiner ran the Girls in Distress section. (Joanna Yaron is a free-lance journalist living in Israel since 1962. She has been active in local feminist organizations for the past 11 years.)

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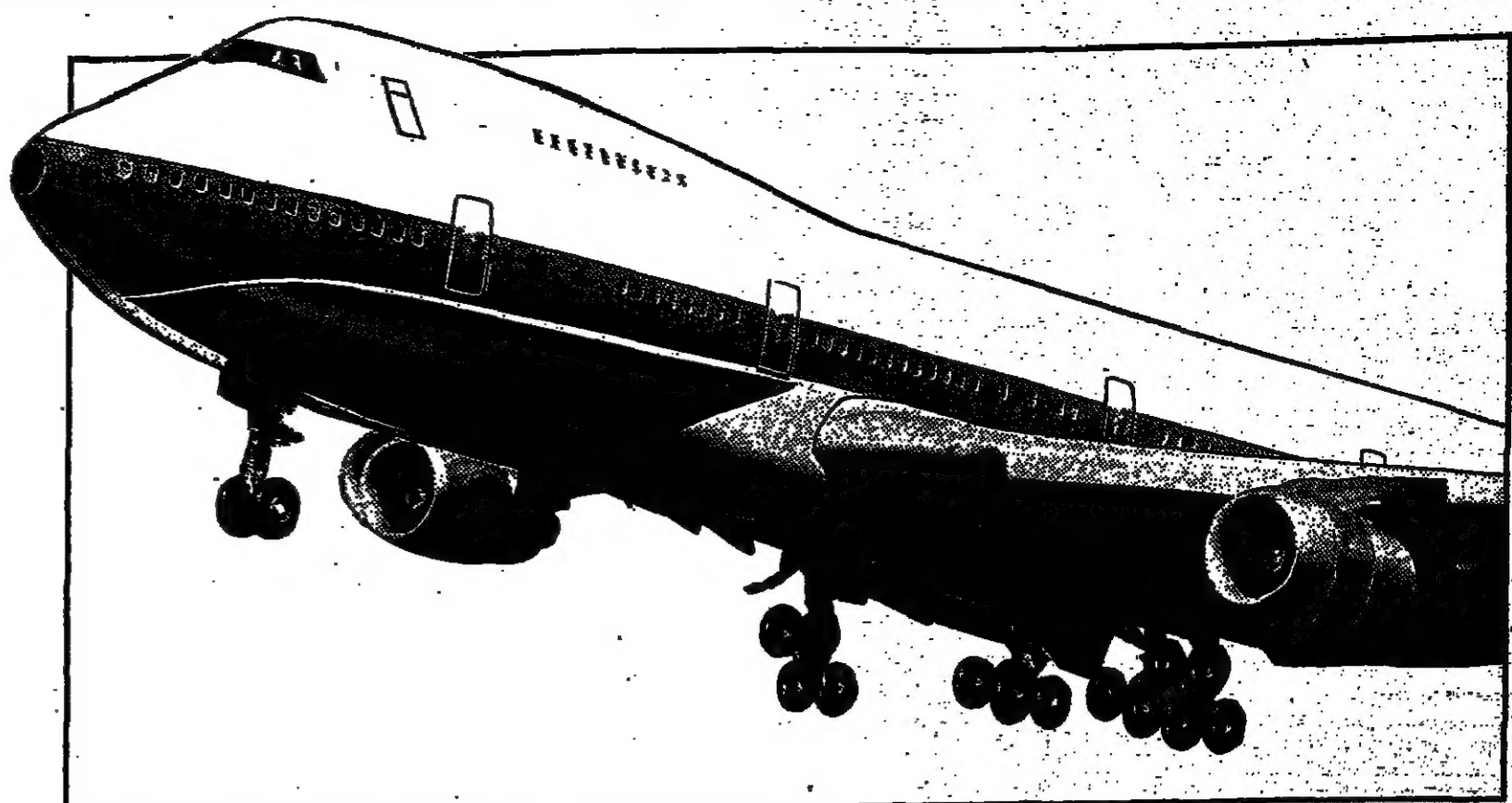


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CHARTER 1

THE REAL TARGET

Were the shots fired at the Korean Airlines 747 really aimed at Yuri Andropov, asks John Dornberg



THE DEEPENING mystery around the downing of the Korean Airlines 747 by Soviet jet fighters is raising memories of the crash of Gary Powers and the U-2 spy plane 23 years ago.

That, in turn, raises speculation about a fundamental policy dispute in the Kremlin, for if the tragedy off the coast of Sakhalin was a case of mistaken identity — which is now the most likely explanation — it was still not an accident but, in fact, very deliberate.

The Korean aircraft, which Soviet radar and interceptors had tracked for two hours inside Soviet air space, was mistaken for an airborne U.S. listening post — an RC-135 which has the same configurations of a Boeing-707 jetliner.

The decision to shoot it down came from high up in the Soviet military hierarchy, as the Russians themselves have inferred. Yet, they have also claimed that since the beginning of this year alone there have been 12 other such violations of their air space in the same region by U.S. military and surveillance craft. But the Soviets did nothing to them.

Who, then, gave the orders to shoot down this particular plane, at this particular time? And why?

The impact on U.S.-Soviet relations would have been equally great

had it really been a spy jet. Could the missile that downed Flight KE-007 possibly have been aimed at Soviet president and Communist Party chief Yuri Andropov and his foreign policy?

THESE ARE the questions which bring to mind the U-2 incident of May 1960, and the political reverberations that followed.

The Soviet Communist Party chief and prime minister at the time was Nikita Khrushchev.

Eight months earlier, Khrushchev had visited the United States on a triumphal tour and had reached accords to improve U.S.-Soviet relations with President Dwight Eisenhower during a round of summit talks at Camp David. In the spring of 1960, Khrushchev was preparing for a four-power East-West summit conference in Paris, scheduled for May 16, and a subsequent visit to the Soviet Union by Eisenhower.

To all outward appearances, he seemed to be at the height of his power and in full command of the Kremlin. But in fact, as Sovietologists now know, troubles had been brewing for a number of months and Khrushchev, as well as his fastest rising, most loyal and most influential protégé, Leonid Brezhnev, were actually in stormy

political waters.

The issues were crucial: Khrushchev's plans to reform and decentralize the Soviet economy; the beginning of the rift with China; his policy of détente with the West, which was to culminate in the Paris summit and Eisenhower's visit; his announced plans to reduce Soviet military strength by demobilizing 1.2 billion men, including 250,000 career officers and hundreds of generals and admirals.

In particular, though, his foreign and military policies had been under consistent and only thinly veiled domestic attack since his return from the U.S. and the Camp David talks with Eisenhower in September 1959.

KHRUSHCHEV'S opponents were a coalition of guardians of Communist orthodoxy, disgruntled members of the military and military-industrial establishment, and cold warriors. The two men in the top leadership pressing most vehemently for a harder rather than a softer line were Mikhail Suslov, the chief ideologist, and Frol Kozlov, a deputy premier and former party boss of Leningrad, who was Brezhnev's chief rival as "crown prince" and already a serious challenger to Khrushchev's rule.

For months, as if in answer to his critics, Khrushchev had been insisting that the U.S. could be trusted, basing his assertion in part on his "friendship" with

Eisenhower and the accord he claimed to have reached with him at Camp David.

But on May 1, 1960 the CIA's U-2 spy plane was shot down over Sverdlovsk, deep in the heart of Russia, and its pilot, Gary Powers, was captured.

The incident made American policy appear deceitful — more, though, it made Khrushchev look ridiculous for having been glib enough to believe it. When Eisenhower admitted he had personally authorized the espionage overflight of Soviet territory, he blindly compounded Khrushchev's dilemma and embarrassment.

Three days later, an emergency meeting of the Communist Party central committee ratified a sweeping shake-up of the leadership, aimed at reducing Khrushchev's power.

Kozlov was promoted to the party secretariat, whose size was drastically reduced. Three other men who also owed little or nothing to Khrushchev in their careers were accorded full membership of the politburo — Aleksei Kosygin, Nikolai Podgorny and Dmitry Polyansky.

Khrushchev's chief foreign policy ally, Anastas Mikoyan, was sidelined, and his top protégé, Brezhnev, was booted out of the secretariat and "kicked upstairs" to the largely ceremonial presidency of the Soviet Union, where he marked time until Kozlov was

paralyzed by a cerebral stroke in 1963.

The invitation to Eisenhower was withdrawn, the Paris summit turned into a fiasco, and the cold war returned to full swing.

IN ALL HIS subsequent public utterances, even in the memoirs he dictated long after he was toppled in 1964, Khrushchev always dutifully blamed the U.S. And once he told a group of foreign journalists in Moscow: "The American militarists placed me, the man responsible for arranging the visit of the U.S. president, in a very difficult position."

But persuasive evidence indicates that it was the Soviet militarists who put him in that position, and deliberately so in order to scuttle his policies and snuff out détente.

Gary Powers' intrusion of Soviet air space was by no means the first by CIA pilots since the U-2s had become operational in 1956. Most of those overflights — there had been one only a month before Powers — had been tracked by Soviet radar and observed by interceptors.

In the beginning, to be sure, the Russians may not have had the anti-aircraft capacity to bring down those high-altitude spy planes. But after putting the world's first satellite in orbit in October 1957, in all likelihood they did. Yet the capacity was not used.

The rocket that downed Powers provided the evidence of U.S. duplicity and Khrushchev's glibness. In that sense, Powers was but a proxy target for Khrushchev and his policies.

THE PARALLELS to the most recent case are striking. All the evidence put forward by the Soviets, including Colonel General Semyon Romanov, chief of the air defence command, indicates that the decision to down the latest "intruder" was reached at the highest military levels.

Given the fact that there were, just as in the Powers case, at least two hours in which to decide and wait for orders, it was not an automatic or trigger-happy move by the commander on scene.

The hierarchical structure of the Soviet military and the obvious international consequences of the action would rule out that possibility.

But the evidence is equally overwhelming that the decision was not reached at the highest political levels; indeed, that the top political leaders were not even consulted — in gross violation of the Soviet prin-

ciple of civilian and Communist Party supremacy over the military. Andropov, who is after all the chairman of the Soviet defence council (and, as such, commander-in-chief) was away on vacation and hurried back to Moscow only after the damage had been done.

That the downed plane was a Korean civilian airliner with 269 innocent people aboard, instead of a U.S. reconnaissance craft, was merely a tragic error. What matters is that it was apparently believed to be a reconnaissance aircraft, that it was deliberately attacked, and that the extraordinary deed was done during Andropov's absence.

KNOWLEDGEABLE observers and Sovietologists in the West suspect that the real target of the rocket which downed Korean Airlines Flight 007 was Yuri Andropov and/or the Geneva missile talks.

Andropov has been making unusually conciliatory noises towards the U.S. in recent weeks, verbally offering concessions on arms control, such as scrapping a number of SS-20s and a ban on space weapons. Domestically, he has also been making moves towards economic reform which would disturb the Soviet power structure.

Even a cursory reading of the Soviet press — not to mention the

coded language to be deciphered between the lines — reveals that Andropov and his policies, both foreign and domestic, are meeting stiff opposition. Moreover, his hold on power, only 10 months after Brezhnev's death, is far from secure.

That the Soviet propaganda machinery has been weaving its own web of contradictions since the incident is only to be expected. So is the fact that the leadership, Andropov presumably included, has endorsed what happened, and tried to shift blame to the U.S. That is also what Khrushchev did.

Given the nature of their system, their own propaganda, the power of the military, and its high esteem in the public mind, neither Khrushchev nor Andropov could in any way dissociate himself or express disapproval of the generals, even if each shoot-down had been a straight-forward, unpremeditated act.

Considering the Soviet predilection for secrecy and the Byzantine ways of Kremlin politics, it may be years before the West knows for sure exactly who was doing what to whom on September 1, 1983. Just as it took nearly a decade to unravel the mystery of May 1, 1960.

For all that, though, the similarities between the two incidents remain awesomely striking.

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THE WORLDWIDE interest in Gandhi, reawakened by the highly acclaimed film about the man who led the Indian people to statehood, makes it timely to recall his relationship to the Jewish people, about which very little has been written or said. The Mahatma considered himself a good friend of the Jews, and was approached by them at times for advice and guidance.

One of his physicians was an eminent Jew, and one of the books he took with him on the many occasions he was imprisoned was *A Book of Jewish Thoughts* by Dr. Joseph Hertz, chief rabbi of the British Commonwealth. Incidentally, in his victorious struggle for Indian rights in South Africa, among his many Jewish friends, one in particular, Herman Kallenbach, was second in charge of his *Satyagraha* or soul force movement.

When prohibition was first introduced in Bombay in 1939, the question arose regarding wine to be used for Kiddush. The Jewish community, always well-treated, pointed out that important religious and sacred requirements were served in the use of wine. Gandhi accordingly got in touch with his Jewish friends in South Africa and asked for an authoritative opinion from the then chief rabbi, Dr. J.L. Landau. He received such an opinion, with which he expressed his satisfaction.

The Jews in India at that time numbered no more than 30,000 out of a vast population of nearly 400 million. Over many centuries Jews had always been well-treated, enjoyed religious freedom, and did not suffer anti-Semitism in any form. They occupied many important offices and made an invaluable contribution, out of all proportion to their number, to the welfare and progress of India. Records show that they came to India after the destruction of the Second Temple. There was a special constituency for Jews in the Cochin Legislature where Jewish taxpayers elected their own candidates. In particular, the Jews of Malabar from the 5th to the 15th century, enjoyed the benefits of a virtually independent principality ruled over by a member of their own race.

DURING the Hitler persecutions, more than 600 German Jews were given asylum in India, where many of them found employment as technicians in the textile and oil mills. Among the refugees there were also many doctors. True to the Indian tradition of hospitality to the victims of persecution, a meeting of the medical and dental professions resolved "to extend to the duly qualified doctors heartfelt sympathy in their misfortune as a result of political persecution" and to give them an opportunity to practise in the country.

In the Indian National Congress, politicians took an interest in events in Palestine. Moslem organizations occasionally passed resolutions of sympathy with the Arabs there. And as every "good Indian" hated Britain and her imperialism they were obliged to side with the Arabs. Gandhi and even Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru were no exception. The disorders in Palestine were widely reported in the Indian press and the Moslems blamed Zionism and the Balfour Declaration for the trouble. Although Gandhi was engaged in the internal policy of India and the fight he was leading for its independence, the "Palestine Question" and Hitler's persecution of the Jews received his special attention and were frequently referred to by him in his well-known journal, *Harijan*.

INsofar as Palestine was concerned, Gandhi was sympathetically disposed towards the Arabs and felt that an injustice had been done to them. Among his statements opposing the creation of a Jewish National Home as called for in the Balfour Declaration, he declared, "It would be a crime against humanity to reduce the proud Arabs, so that Palestine could be restored to the Jews partly or wholly as their national homeland."

Although he himself denied it, he may well have taken this stand as a matter of expediency, since his many colleagues included Moslems who had to be placated. The support of the very large Moslem population was essential to the success of the struggle for independence. In the early '30s, the Arab press in the Near East played up on one occasion broadcast a news item purporting to emanate from Delhi to the effect that Gandhi was offering to mobilize 20,000 Hindus to protect the sacred shrines against alleged Jewish aggression. Given Gandhi's views on non-violence it was obvious that the report lacked veracity. When informed about it, Gandhi's terse comment was, "I have not signed any memorial of the kind mentioned by you. Nor do I know of any such memorial. My faith in non-violence remains unchanged."

Towards the end of 1937, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency reported that Gandhi had asked Dr. Bishwanath Roy of the Indian National Congress, a well-known Hindu leader, to convey a message of encouragement to the Palestine Arabs. A categorical denial of the report was sent by Dr. Roy to the Jewish *Tribune*, the organ of Indian Jewry published in Bombay. He explained that the Mufti of Jerusalem had requested such a message, but that he had declined to make any statement, either on his own behalf or on behalf of Gandhi, from whom he had no such authority. As was to be expected, Gandhi's

Joseph Sargon examines Mahatma Gandhi's attitude towards Jews and the Jewish issues of his time.

Gandhi's view



Above: A contemplative Gandhi in 1948; below: Seated (left) with two Jewish associates in South Africa — his secretary, Sonia Selzin, and his second in command, Herman Kallenbach.



stand on the Palestine Question and his accusations did not go unchallenged in India and abroad. Dr. Stephen Wise, the outstanding American Jewish leader, was foremost among those who deplored Gandhi's attitude and was outspoken in his criticism. In a letter to the *Jewish Tribune* in May 1939, he wrote: "A great wrong was done by Gandhi in the matter of giving his support to murderous Arabs against non-violent Jews who are asking for less than 5 per cent of the land which came to the Arabs as a result of the World War."

In another letter published in the *Tribune*, Wise asserted that Gandhi "has not spoken as a statesman for truth and justice, but as a politician who has appealed for the support of the Mohammedans in India in order to alienate them from the British — a course unworthy of one whom his followers clothe with habiliments of prophecy... Why speak of non-cooperation with England when Gandhi is prepared to cooperate with the Arabs of Palestine who have not only used violence but have been guilty of the most murderous course against my people and the British government?"

"Few things are more grievous to me than the spectacle of a great figure, whom the world honours, departing from what has seemed to be his own lofty standard in supporting the Arab claim to Palestine and in omitting to utter a word of condemnation of the Mufti and his murderous gang... The loss of life is always lamentable but most tragic of all is the loss of a veritable standard of justice as Gandhi has seemed to be."

GANDHI'S BELIEF in non-violence remained unshaken even when World War II showed the Nazis in all their brutality. He advocated resistance to all kinds of violence "by the immovable force of *Satyagraha* — call it suffering without retaliation." Defending his attitude despite the Germans' mass slaughter and crimes against humanity, which he admitted, he asked:

"Is it not time for us to declare our changeless faith in non-violence of the strong and say we do not seek to defend our liberty with the force of arms but we will defend it with the force of non-violence?"

In a special appeal to every Briton he declared: "I want you to fight Nazism without arms, or if I am to retain the military terminology, with non-violent arms. I would like you to lay down the arms you have as being useless for saving you or humanity."

It was in this spirit that Jews also were urged to "fight" Hitlerism when he responded to the requests

for guidance solicited by Jewish leaders. One of these was Rabbi Louis Wolsey of Philadelphia, who in his letter to Gandhi wrote:

"...There are those of us whom I should like to call Jewish Gandhists who believe in answering the Hitler persecution with non-resistance... What must be the future of the Jewish people be if they loyally and sincerely reply to their persecutors with but boycott and vituperation, but with prayer, humility and non-violence?"

In his reply, the Mahatma said: "I have not a shadow of doubt that vituperation and returning evil with evil adds to the stock of evil in the world, and, therefore, does not serve anybody. Non-resistance does not mean passive submission to the will of the persecutor. On the contrary, it means a refusal to submit to his will and preparedness to suffer the consequences of non-submission. Without prayer and humility there can be no non-violence. This is the lesson I have learned from an experience which now covers a period of nearly 40 years."

THIS KIND of advice was widely criticized in the Jewish press. Hayim Greenberg, the editor of the New York journal *Jewish Frontier* had this to say:

"We are treated as sub-human. We are asked to be superhuman. Gandhi should have also understood that it is far less simple to preach *Satyagraha* to German Jews than it is to the Indian masses, even to the lowest caste of Untouchables."

"A Jewish Gandhi in Germany could function for five minutes — until the first Gestapo agent could lead him not to a concentration camp but to a guillotine... I cannot help feeling that in the present instance Gandhi has betrayed his inner nature. I cannot avoid the suspicion that as far as the Palestine problem is concerned, Gandhi allowed himself to be influenced by anti-Zionist propaganda being conducted among fanatic Pan-Islamists."

Making a stronger case for *ahimsa* (non violence) rather than *himsa* (violence), Gandhi replied at length in his weekly journal *Harijan*, that he saw no reason to change his expressed opinion.

"It is highly probable that a Jewish Gandhi in Germany, should one arise, could function for about five minutes and would promptly be taken to the guillotine. But that will not disprove my case or shake my faith in *ahimsa*. I can conceive the necessity of the immolation of hundreds, if not thousands, to appease the hunger of dictators who have no belief in *ahimsa*. Indeed the

maxim is that *ahimsa* is the most efficacious in front of the greatest *himsa*. Its guilt is readily tested only in such cases. Sufferers must not see the results during their lifetime. They must have faith that if their cult survives, the result is a certainty. The method of violence gives no greater guarantee than that of non-violence. It gives infinitely less. For the faith of the votary of *ahimsa* is lacking..."

Referring to Greenberg's charge that this zeal for Hindu-Muslim unity made him partial to the Arab presentation of the Palestine case, Gandhi wrote: "I have often said that I would not sell truth for the sake of India's deliverance. Much less would I do so for winning Moslem friendship."

In conclusion, he admitted that, "this writing of mine will not give any satisfaction to my many Jewish friends. Nevertheless, I wish with all my heart that somehow or other the persecution of the Jews in Germany will end and that the question in Palestine will be settled to the satisfaction of all the parties concerned."

AS THE DRIVE to exterminate the Jews was intensified, Gandhi showed increased concern for their plight. Writing in *Harijan*, he strongly condemned the atrocities.

"My sympathies are all with the Jews. They have been the Untouchables of Christianity... The German persecution of the Jews seems to have no parallel in history. The tyrants of old never went so mad as Hitler seems to have done. If there could be a justifiable war against Germany to prevent the wanton persecution of a whole race would be completely justified."

While deplored Hitler's inhumane treatment of the Jews, Gandhi made a serious accusation against the Jewish people in the course of an article in *Harijan* late in 1938 dealing with the world crisis. He wrote:

"It is true that the Jews have not been actively violent in their own person. But they called down upon the Germans the curses of mankind and they wanted America and England to fight Germany on their behalf."

This was widely publicized. It came as a great surprise and was viewed with grave concern. Gandhi commented on the reaction in another article in *Harijan* in December. Quoting the offending passage, he wrote:

"On reading the last sentence a dear friend wrote to me a fiery letter and challenged me to produce my authority for my remark and pointed out that I had been hasty in my statement. I did not realize the importance of the rebuke. I did, however, want to produce support for my statement..."

While he was having a search made for that support, said Gandhi, he received letters from Lord Samuel, the former High Commissioner for Palestine, and from Sir Philip Hartog, the British educationist who was chairman of the Jewish Professional Committee for Assisting Jewish Refugees. He quoted from Hartog's letter:

"I have myself seen many hundreds of Jewish refugees since 1933. I have never heard one of them express publicly or privately the desire for a war of revenge against Germany. Indeed such a war would bring further misery to the hundreds of thousands of Jews still in Germany as well as untold suffering to millions of other innocent men and women..."

AFTER RECEIVING this letter, Gandhi said, "I put greater diligence in my search. The searchers were not able to put their hands on any conclusive writing." He himself had entered into correspondence with the editor of the *Bombay Jewish Tribune*. The latter had written:

"...Jews have never urged the democracies to wage war against Germany on account of persecution of Jews. This is a mischievous lie that must be nailed to the counter. If there is a war, Jews will suffer more than the rest of the population. This is a fact gleaned from the pages of history. And the Jew is a great lover and advocate of peace. I hope you will refute any such allegation that is made against them."

Gandhi's *Harijan* article concluded: "In the face of the foregoing mighty contradictions now enforced by the editor of the *Jewish Tribune* and of the fact that I cannot lay my hands on anything on the strength of which I made the challenged observation, I must withdraw it without any reservation. I only hope that my observation has not harmed any single Jew. I know that I incurred the wrath of many German friends for what I said in all good faith."

While it may be a matter for regret that a great leader like Gandhi, enshrined in the hearts of millions, should have made such a serious "observation," it can be stated to his credit that he showed his greatness by withdrawing his charge "without any reservation." This is in keeping with his fundamental earnestness and passionate search for truth, and unquestionably he bears the stamp of imperishable greatness. And we should recall that when the death of Hitler was reported, Gandhi commented, "Hitler killed six million Jews. It is the greatest crime of our time."

The writer was born in Bombay, where he was managing editor of the *Jewish Tribune* and Indian representative of the *World Jewish Congress*.



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Sports

Baseball: Monday

American League East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	92	56	.622	
Detroit	85	64	.570	7 1/2
New York	83	66	.557	9 1/2
Toronto	82	69	.543	11 1/2
Milwaukee	79	71	.527	14
Boston	73	78	.483	20 1/2
Cleveland	66	83	.443	26 1/2

Chicago has clinched the West Division title.

Monday's Games
Boston 5, New York 3; Seattle 3, Toronto 6;
Minnesota 7, Chicago 5; Baltimore 3,
Milwaukee 7; 11 innings; Kansas City 8-7,
California 4-6; only games scheduled.

National League East Division

W	L
GB	80 70 .533
Philadelphia	78 72 .520
Pittsburgh	78 72 .520
St. Louis	73 77 .487
San Diego	67 83 .443
Chicago	62 88 .413

West Division

W	L
Los Angeles	86 64 .573
Atlanta	81 67 .547
Houston	78 71 .523
San Francisco	76 74 .507
Cincinnati	71 79 .473
Cincinnati	68 81 .456

Monday's Games

New York 5, Pittsburgh 4; Philadelphia 7, Chicago 6; Montreal 3-6, St. Louis 9-3; Los Angeles 9, Houston 2; San Diego 4, San Francisco 2; only games scheduled.

Connors injured

SAN FRANCISCO (AP). — U.S. Open tennis champion Jimmy Connors may need surgery for a bone spur in his right foot, unless a two-week layoff is sufficient to cure the condition. The problem arose during the U.S. Open, but did not prevent the 31-year-old Connors from going ahead to win the tournament.

SCOREBOARD

YACHTING: Australia II finally lived up to its promise with an easy victory in the third race of the America's Cup challenge series, besting the American boat Liberty by a staggering 13 minutes 14 seconds over the 24 mile course.

This was the widest margin of victory for a challenger vessel in quarter of a century but the Americans still trail 2-1 in the best-of-seven series.

TENNIS: Ecuador's Andres Gomez shrugged off loss of the first set to capture his first tournament of the year, the \$200,000 Dallas Grand Prix, with a 6-7, 6-1, 6-1 final triumph over Brian Teacher.

American teenager Jimmy Arias took his third title in Italy this year when he captured the Palermo Grand Prix in Sicily beating Jose-Luis Cere of Argentina 6-2, 2-6, 6-0 in the final.

GOLF: Fuzzy Zoeller scored a four-stroke victory with a 340 total over 90 holes to take the new PGA pro-am celebrity classic in Las Vegas, held the most lucrative tournament in the world.

He collected the \$135,000 winners check out of a total purse of more than \$1m.

Vietnam's Nguyen Thi Thanh won a 1 metre putt on the final hole to give fellow American, rookie Julie Inkster, a one-shot victory in the women's event in Washington State.

Perkis makes his first strike

By JACK LEON
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's Shabar Perkis, 21, last weekend won the singles title in the \$5,000 ATP Portuguese satellite tournament, after finishing as runner-up in the opener of the five-series match in Lisbon a few days earlier. This is the best win of his career. In 1979, Shlomo Glickstein won an ATP satellite circuit event.

Perkis finished as runner-up in the doubles in Oporto. His partner was Gilad Bloom, 16. In the third tournament of the series, Bloom won three qualifying matches to go through to the main event.



Shabar Perkis

Gentle giant rocks Holon

By DON GOULD
Post Basketball Reporter

Kiryat Motzkin's gentle giant Richard Johnson, 2.12m., ably assisted by Ilan Rokach and veteran Haim Keren pulled their second straight upset and remained undefeated as they tripped highly regarded Hapoel Holon 75-68.

Johnson was in devastating form as he collected 23 points and 19 rebounds, while Rokach and Keren helped to break Holon's tenacious full court press. Coach Shmuel Yacobsen's basically young outfit would not be beaten, as they led almost from start to finish.

Coach Ronnie Kahana of Maccabi Ramat Gan brought his new team to Haifa for an encounter with his team of last year, Hapoel Haifa, and came out on the short end, losing 80-77 after holding a 43-40 edge at the half. Wills and Zlotkin had 24 and 22 respectively for the win-

ners, while Uri Ben-Ari with 24 took up the slack created by Doron Gamchee's playing with 4 fouls throughout the second half.

Frank Brikofsky's 21 points led six double figure scorers for Maccabi Tel Aviv as they swept away Maccabi Darom (99-71) at the Yehuda Sports Stadium. Jackie Robinson's 19 was best for the losers.

Down 51-46 at the half, short-handed Afula Ha'emek came storming back to overtake Betar Tel Aviv 93-85. Dery Robinson took game-scoring honours with 27 points in the losing effort.

Lavonne Mercer got 11 rebounds, eight blocked shots and 9 points while five of his team-mates led by Mike Largee's 26, scored in double numbers to overtake the two-man scoring show of Maccabi Haifa's Greg Cook (39) and James Terry (26). The final result: Hapoel Tel Aviv 90, Maccabi Haifa 86.

Sportoto rides again

by PAUL KOHN,
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. With the renewal of Israel League soccer this Saturday, Sportoto this week features local first and second division matches.

The major clash will be in Netanya, where the reigning champions play a new look Maccabi Tel Aviv, considerably strengthened in attack. All three newly promoted teams, Betar Tel Aviv, Hakoah and Ramat Amidar, play away matches.

Betar Jerusalem plays their first home match in Tel Aviv at Bloomfield on Saturday morning and should take three points from Maccabi Jaffa. Hapoel Tel Aviv look a banker at the Bloomfield Stadium against Maccabi Petah Tikva, as do Maccabi Haifa against a weakened Hakoah Ramat Gan.

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U.S. Soviet hockey off because of plane

DETROIT (AP). — An exhibition game between the U.S. Olympic hockey team and the Soviet Union national squad, scheduled for December 5, has been cancelled in protest over the destruction of the Korean passenger plane, officials said.

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Profit-takers fail to shake prices

TEL AVIV. — Prices continued to rise yesterday on the stock market, but there were signs on this fifth successive day that the impetus was being lost. Some 60 shares did rise by 5 per cent or more, and another eight were buyers only; but 35 fell by 5 per cent or more, and four were sellers only.

Yet, on the whole, it was a favorable market, in that all categories, including oils, which fell on the previous day, rose in price, if in some categories the rises were not great.

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By MACABEE DEAN

The general index rose by 0.74 per cent, and if commercial banks (which make up more than half of the total turnover and which habitually rise in price) are excluded, the index rose by 1.17 per cent.

Petroleum, which as noted had a

bad day on Monday, rose by 1.99 per cent, but the largest gains were made by industrials, up by 2.46 per cent.

These figures, of course, are only averages, and within certain categories, like trade and utilities, insurance companies, industrials and investment companies, the fluctuations in either direction were sometimes 10 per cent.

The turnover in shares was IS\$47.5m., compared to IS\$438.3m. of the previous day, which is again evidence that the general public, and the speculators, are gradually beginning to drift back into the market, despite the temptations of buying foreign currencies.

However, perhaps the best news yesterday was not that turnover was up, and prices on the whole tended to rise, but that an expected wave of profit-taking — some shares have risen by 20 to 30 per cent since the first days of trading after Roah Hashana when prices fell badly — did not materialize in any frightening proportion. When this happens, it generates a general downward trend, which often turns into panic selling. If the market has reached a new plateau, there is every indication that the general public, and the investors, will be lured back.

Although not all oil companies rose, those that did were enough to give this sector an optimistic look. Delek 1 was up by 5 per cent (although Delek 5 was down by 2.3) Paz was up by 2.3 per cent, with a turnover of IS\$38.6m. (the largest turnover in oil); while Teirul was up by 10.1 per cent, Fedoil up by 7.3 per cent, and Naphta rose by 6.1 per cent.

Among industrials, these rose by 10 per cent: Ordan 0.1; Elbit, Ordine, Dafra, Zik, Pri-Ze, Tempo Beer 5.0, Yitzhar, Maquette, Lodzia, and Sunroft. Cables rose by 9.8 per cent. Among those who fell by per cent were Hamisha, Yod, Mollet, and Katzenstein.

Other shares which rose by 10 per cent were: Sahar Insurance and Cold Storage 0.1.

Among index-linked bonds, 4 per cent fully linked fell by up to per cent, but 90 per cent linked rose by up to 2 per cent. Three per cent fully linked and 80 per cent linked were firm. Double options fell by up to half a per cent, bonds traded in foreign currency fluctuated by one per cent, while those linked to foreign currency fell by up to one per cent.

Announcements

The net profit of Clal (Israel) rose by 175 per cent in the first half of 1983, compared with the same period last year, to stand at IS\$170m. However, when the net profits are adjusted for inflation (Advisory Opinion 23) they shrink to only IS\$65m. (compared with IS\$300m. in all of 1982). Consolidated sales of the Clal group rose by 130 per cent in the period ending June 30, 1983, to stand at IS\$14 billion, and all income (including sales) rose by 144 per cent to IS\$8.5 billion. Profit per IS10 (nominal value) share was IS\$15.3 compared to IS\$5.7 last June 30. Capital means reached IS\$5.6 billion on June 30, 1983, a 212 per cent over last June 30. Total assets of the group on June 30, 1983, stood at IS\$35.6 billion, an increase of 70 per cent over the same date last year.

Same reports a net profit of IS\$75.9m. in the first half of 1983, an increase of 212 per cent in nominal terms over the same period last year. If this sum is adjusted for inflation, it shrinks to only IS\$39m. However, Sano notes that net profits constituted 40 per cent of turnover, compared to 38.1 per cent of turnover last June 30, 1982. The company also decided to increase its capital.

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Bank	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	99.00	—
Bank Hapoalim	43.82	+1.17
Bank Discount	44.80	+1.17
Bank Mizrahi	34.32	+1.17
Bank Hapoalim	43.82	+1.17
Bank Discount	44.80	+1.17
Bank Mizrahi	34.32	+1.17

Land, Building, Citrus

Property	Price	Change
Land	198	+1
Building	280	+1
Citrus	216	+1
Land	198	+1
Building	280	+1
Citrus	216	+1

Mortgage Banks

Bank	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	1790	+2.2
Bank Hapoalim	2180	+2.2
Bank Discount	2180	+2.2
Bank Mizrahi	2180	+2.2

Financing Institutions

Institution	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	219	+4.3
Bank Hapoalim	1266	+4.3
Bank Discount	1035	+4.3
Bank Mizrahi	1035	+4.3

Industrials

Company	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	468	+1.2
Bank Hapoalim	320	+1.2
Bank Discount	149	+1.2
Bank Mizrahi	101	+1.2

Services & Utilities

Company	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	425	+2.5
Bank Hapoalim	215	+2.5
Bank Discount	129	+2.5
Bank Mizrahi	129	+2.5

Commercial Banks

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Bank Leumi	136	+2.19
Bank Hapoalim	54	+1.17
Bank Discount	93	+1.17
Bank Mizrahi	74	+1.17

Land, Building, Citrus

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Building	280	+1
Citrus	216	+1
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Bank Leumi	425	+2.5
Bank Hapoalim	215	+2.5
Bank Discount	129	+2.5
Bank Mizrahi	129	+2.5

Commercial Banks

Bank	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	320	+1.1
Bank Hapoalim	286	+1.1
Bank Discount	100	+1.1
Bank Mizrahi	100	+1.1

Land, Building, Citrus

Property	Price	Change
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Building	1250	+1
Citrus	282	+1
Land	195	+1
Building	1250	+1
Citrus	282	+1

Mortgage Banks

Bank	Price	Change
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Bank Hapoalim	1250	+4
Bank Discount	282	+4
Bank Mizrahi	1250	+4

Financing Institutions

Institution	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	134	+1
Bank Hapoalim	91	+1
Bank Discount	235	+1
Bank Mizrahi	170	+1

Industrials

Company	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	134	+1
Bank Hapoalim	91	+1
Bank Discount	235	+1
Bank Mizrahi	170	+1

Services & Utilities

Company	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	134	+1
Bank Hapoalim	91	+1
Bank Discount	235	+1
Bank Mizrahi	170	+1

Commercial Banks

Bank	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	251	+1
Bank Hapoalim	42	+1
Bank Discount	29	+1
Bank Mizrahi	159	+1

Land, Building, Citrus

Property	Price	Change
Land	195	+1
Building	1250	+1
Citrus	282	+1
Land	195	+1
Building	1250	+1
Citrus	282	+1

Mortgage Banks

Bank	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	1195	+4
Bank Hapoalim	1250	+4
Bank Discount	282	+4
Bank Mizrahi	1250	+4

Financing Institutions

Institution	Price	Change
Bank Leumi	134	+1
Bank Hapoalim	91	+1
Bank Discount	235	+1
Bank Mizrahi	170	+1

Industrials

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Who will stop Sharon?

ARIEL SHARON, the architect of Israel's reckless intervention in Lebanon, is again on the war path. Only this time his aim is to take his party and his government by storm.

In daily public appearances, officially designated as part of the Likud's municipal elections campaign, he is rumbling through the country rousing his devotees to fervent displays of support. His tactic, as always, is attack.

He has seized upon the new round of Druse and Christian massacres in Lebanon as a chance to free himself of the stain etched upon him by the war and the Kahan Commission. He does so by constantly denouncing the commission, the opposition, the press, lumping them all together for his gullible followers, as those who would be in league with Israel's foes, sapping the nation's unity and strength.

It is the all-too-familiar ruse of the political demagogue denouncing the Enemy Within in order to deepen domestic anxiety and polarization as the sure means of being ultimately swept to power by frenzied followers over the reluctance of the party establishment.

Democratic institutions are often at a disadvantage to cope with such a demonic strategy. The state protects free speech. The party fears losing a vote-getter. The government shuns ruptures. The press feels duty-bound to report the divisive speeches, even as it is aware that it thereby only serves the agitator's ends.

All wait for his self-inflicted fall. But the fall is not inevitable. And given the disarray in Israel today, the prospects of, at best, a short-lived government facing economic crisis, a war of attrition in the north, and internal cleavage — the fall of Arik Sharon is certainly not inevitable.

The decision yesterday of the Jerusalem Journalists Association to boycott Sharon's appearances for his inflammatory denunciation of the press in the capital on Monday was more a release of frustration than a useful act. For Sharon it is only grist, for his followers only verification.

If Sharon is to be relegated to his rightful place as a disruptive force — proven so in almost every position he has held — and a danger to what Mr. Begin called the republic of Israel, the initiative will have to come from his own fellows in the government and party.

Messrs. Shamir, Levy, Arens must know that he will not be tamed, that he will bring them down just as he was responsible for bringing down Mr. Begin, who also thought, so naively, that he could keep him under control even as defence minister.

If they put expediency before reason on this matter, they will deserve the consequences. But it is the nation that will bear the ultimate price.

A sad strike

THE SCHOOL STRIKE staged by the Elementary School Teachers Union in the central region yesterday created a sad day for education in this country.

The union claims that it declared the strike to dramatize its opposition, on educational grounds, to the junior high-school reform in Rishon LeZion. Even if that were the case, the strike would still have been unjustified. But the strike was a sad business because it, in fact, signalled an alignment between a once socially progressive Histadrut teachers union and a group of parents who do not want their children in the same classes as the children of the disadvantaged, whose background is mostly Oriental.

In truth the union's, as well as the parents', reasons have little to do with education as such. Demagoguery notwithstanding, all evidence in Israel and abroad, suggests that children's academic performance is not impaired by study in integrated classrooms.

The union used to have a point when it argued that social integration is best accomplished in the primary school grades. But this means busing, and most parents are dead set against it. Social integration can therefore sensibly be attempted only at the age of 12, when children are old enough to travel independently but are also young enough not to have been divided up for life into either academic (i.e., largely middle class) or vocational (i.e., largely working class) streams or schools.

Unfortunately, the Elementary School Teachers Union seems to be rather less concerned with the nation's educational and social goals than with the prospects that its membership will increase if it succeeds in smashing the school reform. Rishon LeZion is the test-case.

What is interesting about the reform, which has by now been implemented in much of the country, is that protests preceded but did not follow it. Fears of the reform — meaning of integration — invariably proved hollow. The same will happen in Rishon LeZion, if Education Minister Zevulun Hammer stands firm against the spurious claim of "right" by a minority of parents in that town to override a declared national policy. So far Mr. Hammer has shown only signs of wavering.

This is especially ironic at this time, since the Ministry of Education has officially designated this year as a year in which schools all over the country will highlight, through special projects and courses, the theme of *Ahdut Yisrael* — the unity of the Jewish People.

PERHAPS the most appropriate comment on the spy manner in which the era of Menachem Begin has concluded may be found in the verse of the poet T.S. Eliot: "This is the way the world ends/not with a bang but a whimper."

After a career replete with histrionics, the great showman of Israeli politics has stolen from the scene without even the customary bow, never mind farewell speech.

The observer can only nod his head and wonder sadly, "What a way to go." After years of Beginesque grand gestures and oratorical fireworks, the conclusion has come as a crashing anti-climax. The great communicator has left the stage in total silence.

That is what has mystified all of us, and that is what has fuelled all of the speculation on the causes of his silent departure.

All we have to go on is the confession of total exhaustion reported from the cabinet room when the premier told his aghast colleagues: "I cannot carry on. I cannot function as my wont."

And then came the seediest aspect of the closing episode of the Begin premiership: Worn out as he was, he was obliged to linger on in order to give his party's nominee a margin over Labour when the race of the factions begins at Beit Hanassi. His party colleagues did much wrong to a man whose guiding principle was always the Revisionist credo of *Kavod ve'Hadar* — Honour and Glory — by forcing him to drag

IN OCTOBER 1938, at the world convention of Betar (the youth organization of the Jabotinsky movement), Menachem Begin, the 25-year-old leader of the large Polish Betar, rose repeatedly to state that the time for political Zionism was past. He declared that no political demagogues with Britain would induce it to change its Palestine policy of closing the doors to Jewish immigration while heading towards the creation of an Arab state.

Begin asserted that only armed resistance to the British could change the course of history. He then clashed with his teacher, Ze'ev Jabotinsky, who still hoped that political activism would induce Britain, or at least the United States, to act to save the threatened millions of Jews in Eastern Europe.

A year later, Jabotinsky conceded that Begin, David Raziel, Abraham Stern, and the rest of the Irgun's leadership in Eretz Yisrael, were right in preparing for armed resistance. But then it was too late — World War II was upon us.

I followed Begin's development since those early years when I first met him. I, a sabra far removed from the physically threatened masses of the European Diaspora; he, a product of the militant Hebrew nationalism that was rising out of the depths of the *galut* despair.

His perception of the Jewish people's fate was sharper than mine. He was honed by the reality of East-Central Europe, while mine was an inborn nationalism of a third-generation Palestinian who

THE BEGIN LEGACY

By MARK SEGAL

out the final days of his premiership in so undignified a manner.

They also forced Begin, who throughout his premiership was famous for being a legalist, to be seen to be undermining the spirit of the law by shabbily exploiting the loophole in the clause about the procedure for the premier's resignation.

That is certainly not how Menachem Begin will want to be remembered in the history books.

THOSE AROUND HIM have done him an injury by treating him as if he were still in the underground rather than the elected premier of a democratic nation, by their super-secretive attitude over his state of health.

They took the view that while they were not telling any lies, they were also not telling all the facts...

The country was soon buzzing with stories: Begin, it was said, was suffering from a range of ailments from simple flu to anorexia nervosa.

It was only after Yoel Marcus, the reputable *Ha'aretz* columnist, came out with a credible-sounding report on Begin's deteriorating state of mental and physical health that those in authority deemed to release a report on the face rash — a rash which, they claimed had prevented him from personally appearing before President Chaim Herzog to tender his resignation.

While the prime minister's staff screamed "journalistic hooliganism" at Marcus and other *Ha'aretz* writers (which brought the inevitable comment that it takes one hooligan to recognize another), they did not, and could not, deny the gist of Marcus's report.

As long as the premier fails to communicate his reasons for retiring from office, one can only speculate on the factors that have caused him to become a virtual recluse in the first-floor room of his residence in Jerusalem's Talbieh quarter.

Those who should know speak of

SENSE OF HISTORY

By YITSHAQ BEN-AMI

did not experience anti-Semitism and was not immersed in a minority's mentality.

BY THE END OF 1943, Begin was given the historic chance to launch the revolt against Britain. It was late in the calendar of Jewish survival. We counted about four million dead. We waited long before admitting to ourselves that Britain, in shutting escape routes to the Jews of Europe, was as guilty of murdering Jews as the Germans pushing them into the crematoria.

Then and later, another trait of Begin's concept of self-respect and dignity emerged. He refused to accept command of the Irgun unless he was officially discharged from the Polish Army in which he was then serving.

Once that was granted, he went underground and led the fight which ended in May 1948, with the withdrawal of the British.

JEWISH UNITY in purpose and action was another of Begin's cherished goals. He was happiest

when, midway in the revolt and for a short time only, the Establishment of those years (November 1945-August 1946) joined the Irgun in the armed resistance.

In October 1945, when I met with him at the height of the Hagana's collaboration with the British aimed at liquidating the Irgun, Begin spoke repeatedly about the need for the unity of the Jewish people.

The subject was raised again when we dealt with the concept of "Hebrews" and "Jews." This concept was developed and defined by the Irgun emissaries in the U.S. These emissaries, faced with the ever-growing assimilation of the Jews in the West, developed the theory that the Jewish people — specifically those who still admitted their Jewishness — were being separated into a Hebrew nation in Eretz Yisrael, and communities of Jews who chose to live in the Diaspora.

Begin's attitude was: Yes, there is emerging a Hebrew nation and there will be also a Diaspora. But don't make the nation exclusionary. Not only isn't the nation superior, but it must keep its doors always open. There is a cement binding us all: Our Jewishness.

WHICHEVER WAY we argued, Begin's trust and love for his fellow Jews was a basis for all his thinking. When most members of the Irgun overseas delegation argued for the creation of a government-in-exile to represent the Irgun's fight against the British, Begin vetoed the idea: "We cannot be responsible for fraternal warfare. We will undertake such a step only if the ruling parties fail to declare independence at the appropriate historic

a number of factors (not necessarily in the following order): the death of his beloved wife Aliza has obviously played a major role, for her passing has left an echoing vacuum in his personal life and deprived him of his principal emotional support. Then there is the disloyalty in recent months of his ministers, who have taken advantage of his enfeebled grip on power to undermine the leader on whose coat-tails they all rode to power. It was this sense of betrayal which apparently proved to be the final straw.

BUT ABOVE ALL, what has taken its toll on Menachem Begin is the realization of the terrible price that Israel has had to pay — and will continue to pay — for his Lebanese adventure.

It is said that the cruelest moment came when Begin finally recognized the reckless and irresponsible advice he had accepted from the two generals he so admired and trusted — Ariel Sharon and Rafael Eitan. No one can surely forget how Sharon misinformed Begin, on the battle for Beaufort when he told the premier there had been no casualties, thereby seemingly rendering the deaths of brave youngsters who had given their lives meaningless.

As Begin sits in his Jerusalem residence does he hear echoes of his claims that the campaign into Lebanon "will serve to remove the trauma of the Yom Kippur War?" Or his promise that there would be "peace with Lebanon by the end of

the year?" What is certain is that, having made history by becoming Israel's first Revisionist premier, he is leaving behind him the implied recommendation of the Kahan Report by dismissing Sharon from his cabinet, mission of inquiry headed by the president of the Supreme Court.

It may be said that Yom Kippur came early this year for Menachem Begin.

UNFORTUNATELY, Ariel Sharon's continuing presence in public life is a sorry part of Begin's legacy to the nation. Begin may today regret not having carried out the implied recommendation of the Kahan Report by dismissing Sharon from his cabinet. Just as he lacked the conscience or sensibility to attend even one funeral of the 517 soldiers who died in the operation he conceived and commanded, so today Sharon is brazen enough to use the Likud municipal election campaign to try to attach the consequences of his actions to his successor, Moshe Arens.

Accountability is one of the many words missing from Ariel Sharon's vocabulary. He is part of the Begin legacy that will continue to tick away like a time-bomb beneath the basis of orderly government.

The question is whether the heirs of Menachem Begin will be capable of defusing it in time?

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moment." Despite repeated incidents of partisanship and overriding of agreements (i.e., the occupation of Deir Yassin, destruction of British administrative headquarters at the King David Hotel), Begin was not prepared for the worst of them all — the Altalena chapter.

Having advised the Hagana, and later (following the formation of the Israel Defence Forces) the Ministry of Defence about the existence of the vessel, its cargo, its estimated date of arrival, he was overjoyed to receive Ben-Gurion's order: "Proceed as quickly as possible to Kfar Vitkin." Begin — and we on the Altalena — were overjoyed. A socialist settlement would be our host!

It turned into a tragic trap. On the beach in Kfar Vitkin, Begin said to one of my colleagues on the ship: "Don't worry. Jews don't shoot at Jews." He dismissed on the turn his close and loyal comrade, "Giddy" Paglin, who advised him to lead an armed struggle against the IDF which surrounded us at Kfar Vitkin.

IN THE YEARS that followed, Begin, the opposition leader, never attacked the government for military failures, unpreparedness and defeatism, as long as the battle was on and casualties took their toll. No such courtesy was extended to Begin during the Lebanese invasion of 1982. The partisan attacks from the opposition commenced in the second week of the war and never ceased.

In the process, Israel has suffered its greatest loss, at least for the present: the precious feeling of patriotism. For an outnumbered small state, under continuous mortal threat, this could be fatal — as the Jewish psychological and physical vulnerability turned out to be when Hitler declared war on the Jews in the 1930s.

Even for a national leader like Begin, as for de Gaulle, a breaking point can be reached. Begin, the man who identified his person and life with Jewish survival — the survival of the individual and the people — had accumulated a heavy weight of bitter memories. He grew up against the

background of the Altalena chapter, the accusation of the Zionist labour movement against the Jabotinsky movement. He lived through the period of Hagana-British collaboration. He experienced sad chapters of Jewish fratricide.

It all culminated with the unbridled attacks by a small leftist minority — highly vocal and visible — on Operation Peace for Galilee.

The left in Israel, the Jewish members of the Western media — plus the traditional Diaspora reaction — combined to form a formidable hostile front that hurt a sensitive, compassionate man.

I remember years back, in the underground, how Begin used to question his operations officers as to possible casualties. He did not limit his concern to Jewish casualties alone.

ISRAEL IS suffering from an internal sickness of "verbal violence" (*"almot milutin"*). It drove Ben-Gurion from political life. It brought Golda Meir to the verge of despair. But this alone would not have induced Begin to resign from active political life.

Begin has done his duty towards the Jewish people and Israel. It is possible that his sense of history dictated his resignation from the brutal political scene.

He may feel that the time has come for a younger generation to take over. Preferably native born, free from *galut* complexes.

The desert generation is on the verge of disappearing. Let the men and women who grew up, or were born since the state was established, take over the helm. Let them make the decisions that will affect their and their children's lives, free of the ideological bondages acquired in the physical and spiritual ghettoes.

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READERS' LETTERS

MASS SUICIDE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — August 12 compares the mass suicide of 1,000 People's Temple cultists in Guyana in 1978 to "those Kach kids packed into a bunker (who) swore they would take their own lives" (in Yomit). Surely it should not be difficult to distinguish between the mindless Guyana suicides and, for example, the numerous instances in Jewish history when mass suicide was sanctioned as a legitimate alternative in order to pre-empt greater tragedy. At Masada, suicide was deemed preferable to the humiliation of Roman slavery. During the Crusades, mass suicide was often preferred to mass conversion to Christianity.

Today, as the Israel-Egypt peace treaty continues to crumble and the prospect of having to fight the Egyptians begins to look less fantastic, the surrender of Yomit must strike one as an error of incredible magnitude. Had the Kach threat of suicide succeeded in forestalling the Yomit withdrawal, it might well have gone down in history as an outrageous but foresighted maneuver which saved countless Israeli lives by preserving for Israel a crucial buffer zone with which to crush the next Egyptian invasion.

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STOP BOTHERING SHAMIR

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Now, that the IDF has started to withdraw from Lebanon and Rafael Eitan has returned to his carpentry workshop at Tel Adashim and Menachem Begin has collapsed because of the unbearable burden of the Lebanon war, Arik Sharon, the third but main architect of this ill-fated adventure, should take the consequences and show that he is a man of character, human valour and self-esteem: he should leave Prime Minister Designate Shamir alone and let him make his own decisions.

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